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Friends turn on Hilton over MJ

U.S. seeks to sell Canucks on mission

AFGHANISTAN Obama Democrats have quietly sounded out power-brokers in Ottawa looking for advice on how to convince war-weary Canadians to keep military forces in Afghanistan after 2011.

Conscious of the deep political and public opposition to extending the mission further, American officials — political and military — are struggling to understand those concerns and identify the right arguments to make to the Harper government to "keep Canadian boots on the ground," said defence sources.

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Rick Mercer, host of CBC's The Rick Mercer Report, says if you have a Canadian citizenship, you've hit the jackpot. Other Canadian celebrities share their thoughts with Metro: Baseball player Matt Stairs, page 17, musician/author Dave Bidini, page 30.

Being Canadian

Rick Mercer shares his thoughts about True North strong and free

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And when we do, governments come and governments go — and yet not a single shot is fired. Which is appropriate because in our nation's capital, the Canadian flag flies proudly over a tower that we named Peace.

–Rick Mercer

Mercer Report

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Toddler drowns in hot tub

A one-year-old drowned in a backyard hot tub in Georgina on Lake Simcoe yesterday morning. About 8:24 a.m., the child crawled onto a patio and fell into the tub. Family members were in the house at the time. The child was pronounced dead at the scene. No foul play is suspected. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Local

GO-ing to Niagara just got easier

Taking a weekend trip to see Niagara Falls just became a little easier for tourists across southwestern Ontario. Commuters can now visit the Niagara region on weekends and holidays by GO trains leaving Union Station. The first GO train arrived in Niagara Falls Saturday, with trips continuing through the summer tourist season until Oct. 12. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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These results are not official.

'It never rains on our parade'

Tens of thousands pack downtown for Toronto's 29th annual Pride festivities

PrideWeek Toronto

It was grey and wet and, of course, political — but how gay it was.

And lesbian, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, intersex, queer, questioning and two-spirited.

Tens of thousands of spectators, lined a dozen deep at some points along downtown streets, camped out in the rain for prime viewing of yesterday's Pride Parade. Tourists and families, lovers and supporters, wearing raincoats and toting cameras and umbrellas of all the colours in the rainbow.

How could it rain on this parade, the culmination of Pride Week and seemingly blessed most years with blues skies and warm temperatures?

With minutes to go, soggy seemed certain. Music pumped from beer gardens along Church Street to empty tables. Men in drag and painstaking makeup jobs sought shelter under awnings.

It was also cool. Any nipple that was visible or hiding under tight fabric was standing at attention. There was shrinkage. An Elvis sporting mutton chops and gold sunglasses and nothing else might have preferred not to have left the building.

And then, just as the parade made its 2 p.m. start from Church and Bloor streets, the rain simply stopped and did not start up again.

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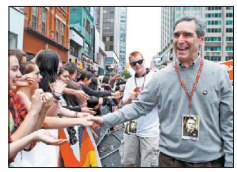
ROBYN PAYNE/METRO TORONTO

Top: A pair of parade-goers share a smile while decked out in their balloon costumes. Above: Metro Toronto was celebrating Pride all weekend promoting Sunnyside at our Metro Chilling Tent and in the parade yesterday.

"It never rains on our parade. Before and after, yes, but never during, "said Ian Foote, 30, who watched with friends from a front row spot. "It's great to see all of the groups from the community out here. It's really a celebration of life and who we are and acceptance."

That's not to say people did not get wet. Water-gun battles were waged throughout the parade, with those on floats in better supply of ammo and weaponry than most spectators. Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff was sprinkled by some crossfire, or perhaps he was the intended target, as he shook hands along the route and posed for pictures. Halfway down Yonge Street, he ducked left with handlers and slipped out of the parade.



Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff joins in the festivities along Yonge Street.

Toronto, now eight days into a municipal strike that has, among other things, affected garbage collection, is making good on its offer to clean up after the parade — even though the event is not a city event. Other city events have been cancelled due to the strike. Pride cleanup could take several days.

Although regular bins along streets were full and out of operation, empty mobile ones sat beside them. Errant freebie condoms, gum and beads and Pierre Trudeau lanyards from the Liberals — tossed from floats — also added to the inevitable mess along the route.

By 5 p.m., the sun was shining as the last of a parade that included floats from corporations, churches, unions, government, universities, and emergency responders, had arrived at the finish point near the Gay Village, and those beer garden seats were empty no longer.

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Ambulance strike

- The City of Toronto attained a last-minute order instructing ambulance officials to be on duty during Toronto's 29th annual Pride Parade amidst allegations workers planned to walk off the job despite their essential services contract.
- EMS officials are also members of the Local 416 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, representing outdoor civic workers. CUPE 416 has been on strike since last Monday.

News in brief

ENVIRO Billions of litres of untreated sewage are gushing into Ontario's waterways due to aging infrastructure and poor provincial oversight, says a report by environmental group Ecojustice. The report lists the amount of sewage dumped into lakes and rivers by various Ontario municipalities in 2006 and 2007. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CORRECTION The story on the drummer who performs outside Rogers Centre for Blue Jays games in the weekend edition of Metro was written by David Singh.

Shooting shatters house party as Peel cops hunt for suspects

CRIME Peel police are counting on help from fleeing witnesses in solving the region's latest murder after a man was shot to death at a crowded Malton house party.

Nicarno Anthony Wright, 22, was pronounced dead in hospital after several gunshots were fired outside a home on Monica Drive, near Goreway and Brandon Gate drives, early yesterday

The slaying is Peel's 13th homicide of the year.

When police cruisers arrived to the call numerous people had already fled in cars. Several Monica Drive residents said the house was often the site of large parties, although crowded and noisy, usually trouble-free. Monica Drive is the same street where 23-year-old David Latchana was gunned down at a booze can in 2007.

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Business world stockpiling anti-viral drugs

FLU As the influenza A virus (H1N1), also known as swine flu, keeps spreading in defiance of expectations, many companies are quietly stockpiling emergency supplies of antiviral drugs to protect employees and profits.

"It's a sort of insurance," said Paula Allen, a vice-president at Shepell-fgi, a firm that arranges employee-assistance programs "There is an obligation to protect employees."

There have been 60,000 confirmed cases around the world so far, which has been declared a pandemic. Until now, the severity of illness has been considered only moderate.

Flu Outbreak

Pandemic planning has become big business in recent years, sparked by the SARS outbreak and fear of a worldwide avian flu pandemic. Where business continuity plans once focused mostly on system-wide computer failures, many now consider the possibility of a pandemic.

The province has stockpiled enough antivirals to treat 25 per cent of the province's population should that many people become seriously ill from the virus.

Businesses are free to stockpile for preventative purposes but in the unlikely event the province needs more antivirals, it has the authority to commandeer inventories from businesses that stockpile them. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Man pistol-whipped during robbery

A man was pistol-whipped and robbed of his necklace and watch by a masked man flanked by five more men at Arrow Road and Finch Avenue West yesterday. At 3:15 a.m., the man was attacked. He suffered minor injuries, despite complying with the robbers' demands. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Parks turned into dumps

Residents upset by smell, toxins in their neighbourhood

Family parks have become makeshift dumping grounds, irate residents are facing off against each other and tourists are thinking twice about the pristine place called Toronto as the most populous city in Canada enters into its second week of a stinky summertime strike.

About 24,000 inside and outside municipal workers walked off the job June 22, bringing garbage pickup to a halt and closing city-run daycares, parks and recreation programs, swimming pools and ferry service.

A key issue for workers is pay for unused sick days, a benefit the city said it can no longer afford.

Yesterday, residents had some reprieve from the pungent smell of rotting refuse as rain and cooler temperatures masked the stench.

But that didn't calm the concerns of a furious community living across the street from a temporary dump site set up by the city west of the downtown core.

IAN WILLMS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

A garbage transfer station at Earlscourt Park yesterday.

"It's really stinky and there's children everywhere and I have to sit through it and people are taking to it so easily. They're just going there and dumping it," said Sarah Beals, who lives near the basketball-court-turned-dumping-ground.

"It's out of sight and out of mind," she added, grimacing at the street lined with car loads full of people ready to toss their trash.

The location, Christie Pits Park, is blocks of grassy land, which is home to Little League games, walking paths and a swimming pool.

Residents have erected prominent, colourful signs declaring the area is "our park, not a dump," and have confronted people pulling wagons filled with litter and driving pickup trucks stuffed with rotting rubbish.

"It smells and there are toxins released to keep the pests under control," said Iris Haeussler, as she sat on her porch, watching people cart over their bulging bags.

She is concerned about the health hazards and upset that children on the street can't use the green space.

Haeussler said she is embarrassed about the state of the streets and with visitors coming in from Switzerland next week, she is afraid they will be horrified by the mess.

> **"It smells and there are toxins released to keep the pests under control."**
> Iris Haeussler

"What they will experience is an awful, awful smell and stink," said Haeussler, adding any tourist would be turned off by the stench.

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No garbage pickup leads to new ideas

ENVIRONMENT Reduce. Reuse. Refuse to pick up the garbage piling up on people's front porches.

Environmentalists are quietly lauding the city strike for unintentionally converting people to their cause and living a lighter lifestyle.

"It's an unexpected consciousness-raising event," said Mark Winfield, professor of environmental studies at York University.

"When you're faced with a storage problem, it makes you appreciate how much stuff is coming in and out (of your home). You have to ask the bigger question about the role of this stuff and how much of it you really need."

The prospect of smelly garbage piling up on his neighbours' porches convinced Graeme Hussey to finish building the row of backyard compost bins he'd recently started. He invited four neighbouring families to drop off the kitchen scraps that normally would have gone out with their green bins.

10 ways to cut waste

1. Don't buy it.
2. Build a backyard or worm composter.
3. Ask to use your neighbour's composter.
4. Bring your empty yogurt containers to a bulk store to stock up on flour, sugar, dried fruit and spices.
5. Leave the packaging at the store.
6. Try cloth diapers for a month.
7. Head to the farmers' market with your cloth bag.
8. Donate your toilet and paper towel rolls to a kids' camp for their art program.
9. Cut back on meat.
10. Put off your cleaning until the fall.

"I went to get sushi last night and brought a Tupperware container because I didn't want to have the garbage at home," says Hussey, development director of the environmental charity Greenest City. "It's interesting how (the strike) is really making you think."

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Moonwalk Jackson fans celebrate legendary singer

PATRICK DELUTHE CANADIAN PRESS

Michael Jackson fans celebrate his life at Dundas Square in Toronto Friday. Jackson fans organized a flash mob moonwalk celebration through the Internet. More coverage, pages 24 and 26.

Accident prompts safety concerns at Bruce Power

NUCLEAR Nearly half a tonne of steel plummeted 20 metres to the ground from atop a Bruce Power plant crane last month, narrowly missing workers below and raising safety concerns at the nuclear facility.

"The fact that this was a near miss in human terms was mere luck," says a plant safety briefing into the May 12 incident obtained by the Toronto Star.

The impact shook the floor of the giant plant, says one worker.

"I could feel it 100 feet away," says the man, who asked not to be named. "It scared the hell out of us. Nobody has ever seen anything like this and I've been in the trade 20 years. It's a systemic failure."

Any major safety breach in a nuclear plant adds to its seriousness, said Frank Greening, a former senior nuclear scientist with Ontario Power Generation.

"You expect a higher level of safety in a nuclear plant because you can't make mistakes."

The incident has not been publicly reported before now.

Duncan Hawthorne, chief executive of Bruce Power, called it a "significant failure" but said no workers were in the vicinity of the fall and the company has conducted a thorough investigation. He said the incident, though it happened in a nuclear plant, did not create any danger to the public.

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Senior in hospital after motorcycle accident

A 65-year-old man remains in hospital after his motorcycle crashed in a highway construction area Friday. At 10:05 a.m., the Barrie man was southbound on Highway 400 south of King Road when he had to hit the brakes on his motorcycle as traffic slowed due to construction in the area. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bombardier workers OK new deal

LABOUR Workers at Bombardier Aerospace ratified a new three-year collective agreement yesterday.

Members of the Canadian Auto Workers union voted 84 per cent in favour of the deal, which covers nearly 3,000 people in the company's Downsview airplane plant.

The agreement was reached June 23 after more than two months of negotiations and averted a potential strike.

It will run until June 22, 2012.

Included in the contract are wage increases in the second and third year, pension improvements and retirement incentives to ensure greater job and income security. Details were not released.

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Hudak targets new Canadians

Newly elected PC party leader plans to reach out to immigrants

Like his federal cousins, newly minted Ontario Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak says he will reach out to immigrants to grow the party ahead of the next election.

The party's ranks must expand from the current 43,000 members if the Tories are to defeat the ruling Liberals in the 2011 provincial election, Hudak said yesterday.

Federal Immigration Minister Jason Kenney, who endorsed Hudak during the leadership race, has "done a great job" in courting new Canadians, he said.

"I look forward to emulating what he's done here provincially," said the former cabinet minister.

Hudak's grandparents, who immigrated from the former Czechoslovakia, always voted Liberal because they saw the Tories as the "boss's party," he said.

"I want to change that. If I can make an important mark on our party going forward, it would be that next wave of new Canadians — whether they come from Slovakia or China or India — will see the Ontario PC party as their natural home."

In a speech last February, Kenney urged his provincial cousins to court new Canadians, calling them the "demographic future" of both Conservative parties, particularly in Ontario.

But Hudak could hit a roadblock in recruiting newcomers with his controversial promise to scrap the Ontario Human Rights Tribunal and have discrimination cases heard in courts.

Leadership rivals Christine Elliott and Frank Klees both warned during the campaign that the policy would tank with voters, particularly ethnic minorities.

Hudak, 41, wouldn't back off that promise yesterday, but said he's reaching out to all four candidates in the race to get them involved in the policy process. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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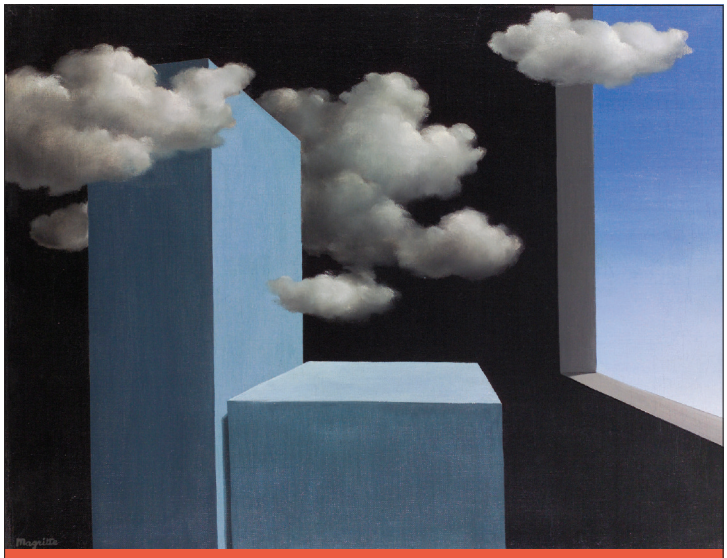
Supporters cheer as Tim Hudak listens to the voting results at the PC Party of Ontario leadership convention Saturday afternoon. With him are wife Debbie and daughter Miller.



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Family not giving up on lost dog

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MISSING After more than a month, Tommy the lost dog is still missing.

Tommy and his loved ones have been making headlines lately over the intensive search his heart-broken family and their investigators have undertaken. The dog went missing while his owner, Josie Graziosi, was away leaving Tommy in the care of a dog walker.

On May 24, the dog walker is said to have taken the pet to Bluffer's Park where he ran away off leash. Once Graziosi was notified two days after the dog went missing, she rushed home and the family went into action to try to find their lost pet.

"It's devastating," said Graziosi. "He's our family pet."

TONY CURCIO/FOR METRO TORONTO

Beloved pet Tommy has been missing since May 24

With a pet detective team, a website (helpfindtommy.com), 10,000 posters and an alert notifying all animal shelters in the GTA, the Graziosi family is still hopeful Tommy will be found.

Tommy was last spotted by a TTC employee on June 9, near Danforth and Victoria Park. Matthew Johnson and his tracking dog, Woofie, were called to the area where the scent was picked up but quickly lost.

After three separate searches for Tommy and more than a month since his disappearance, Johnson says he and Woofie won't be conducting any more searches. The chance of finding a lost dog even for trained investigators is still only 50 per cent.

"The best time to find a dog is within 48 hours," said Johnson.

The Graziosi family isn't giving up yet. There is a $3,000 reward for any information that leads Tommy back to his family. Contact numbers and email addresses can be found on Tommy's website to pass on any information on the missing dog.

Globe tries to avert strike

UNION Only hours after unionized workers at the Globe and Mail rejected the company's latest contract offer, management signalled intentions to avert an impending strike.

Editorial, advertising and circulation workers voted 89 per cent Saturday against a revised proposal emailed to them a day earlier.

A union representative said the company contacted its team later that afternoon and the two sides agreed to resume negotiations tomorrow morning.

"It's a positive sign that they want to come back and talk, and hopefully that means they're prepared to make some compromises," said Brad Honywill, president of Local 87-M of the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union, which represents employees at the Toronto-based daily.

The strong rejection, based on a 65 per cent turnout, comes just days ahead of a strike deadline of 12:01 a.m. July 1. Workers voted almost unanimously last weekend in favour of a walkout.

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News in brief

ASSAULTS Two men were wounded in two separate assaults on Eglinton Avenue West during the early hours of Saturday. One, 38, was stabbed twice after a struggle with a male on Eglinton Avenue West and Dufferin Street at 4:45 a.m. He was treated in hospital and is in good condition. A 42-year-old man was hospitalized after a young man he was struggling with slashed him in the face and lower back with a broken bottle. Police are looking for a five-foot-seven, 23-year-old white male with a medium build, and a five-foot-10, 18-year-old man with a thin build.

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Elderly woman charged with impaired driving

A 73-year-old woman is facing an impaired driving charge after a car ended up in a swimming pool in Sudbury. Police say on Saturday, a car crashed through a fence and then plunged several metres off an embankment, landing in the pool of a home. No one was injured. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Prince Charles to visit

Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean announced yesterday that the prince and his wife, Camilla, the Duchess of Cornwall, will visit in November. They will visit Newfoundland and Labrador, Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia, and the National Capital Region. Canada's secretary to the Queen, Kevin MacLeod, will coordinate the visit. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Icons leave Canadians guessing

Country's most famous figures unrecognizable to many: Poll

Canadians are fumbling for answers when it comes to recognizing the country's most famous faces.

An Ipsos-Reid poll conducted on behalf of the Dominion Institute suggests many Canadians have trouble identifying our most famous sons and daughters.

Only four in 10 Canadians recognized a picture of Sir John A. Macdonald, even though his face is on the $10 bill, while Tommy Douglas, the father of universal health care, was identified by just 19 per cent of respondents.

"To a lot of Canadians these key figures in our past were strangers," said Marc Chalifoux, executive director of the Dominion Institute.

The online survey asked more than 1,000 Canadians to view pictures of ten iconic figures before identifying them unaided. Only four were familiar to the majority of respondents.

Humanitarian Terry Fox and popular songstress Celine Dion were identified by almost 90 per cent of respondents, while hockey legend Wayne Gretzky was recognized by 77 per cent of those surveyed.

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Humanitarian Terry Fox, seen here in September 1980, was identified by almost 90 per cent of respondents to a recent Ipsos-Reid poll on the country's most iconic figures.

Seventy-three per cent of respondents were able to name a picture of former prime minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau.

Fading furthest from memory was Sir Frederick Banting, winner of the Nobel Prize for the discovery of insulin, who was recognized by fewer than one in ten Canadians.

Also scoring low was Metis leader Louis Riel, who was named by 27 per cent of those surveyed.

"We're not passing along this historical memory of some of the great figures of our past, and if they're not recognized, it shows we're doing a bad job of telling Canadian stories," Chalifoux said. "We can do better."

At the midway mark was Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean, who was recognized by just half of those surveyed.

Given Jean's fairly high public profile since she ate raw seal heart, her low level of visual recognition was a surprise, said Chalifoux.

"We put their faces on stamps or put statues up, but if the majority of Canadians don't recognize them, what good is it?" Chalifoux said.

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Ottawa **Korea Veteran's Day**

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Barry Helman, a veteran of the Korean War, salutes after laying a wreath on behalf of United Nations Peacekeepers during the Korea Veteran's Day Memorial Ceremony at the National War Memorial in Ottawa yesterday.

Lawyers seek records on dead teen inmate

ACCESS An advocacy group is taking the Harper government to court for withholding prison files on Ashley Smith, the teenaged inmate who choked herself to death in her jail cell.

Lawyers have filed an application in Federal Court seeking the release of personal records that Smith requested before her 2007 death.

Smith gave permission to the Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies to apply on her behalf for her file under federal access-of-information laws. But the Correctional Service of Canada has refused to relinquish the documents.

So inmate advocate Kim Pate, of the Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies, is taking Public Safety Minister Peter Van Loan and the correctional service to court to get the files.

Lawyer Kris Klein, who is representing the association of Elizabeth Fry Societies, said Smith's prison files may shed light on the events surrounding her death.

"We don't know what was happening to Ashley," he said. "Hopefully, there's information in there that sheds light as to what was going on, what happened."

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Kris Klein, lawyer

News in brief

FORT Parks Canada is in the midst of a 10-year, $5-million effort to stabilize the massive stone walls of the Prince of Wales Fort in northern Manitoba, which once served as an icy militarized outpost of the fur trade in the northwest.

COLLISIONS Hamilton police are investigating two separate traffic collisions that killed four people and injured at least seven others less than 24 hours apart.

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Saskatchewan suffers first H1N1 fatality

Flu **Outbreak**

HEALTH Saskatchewan has recorded its first swine flu-related death, provincial Health Ministry officials said yesterday.

Dr. Moira McKinnon, the province's chief medical officer, said a woman in her 40s with underlying health conditions had died after contracting the illness. Citing patient privacy, she wouldn't say where the woman was from.

McKinnon said the woman was one of the hospitalized cases the provincial government reported on Friday. They've been expecting deaths due to this strain of flu.

"In seasonal influenza, we see 50 to 100 deaths per year in Saskatchewan. We expect to see hospitalizations and deaths with H1N1," she said.

Twenty-five people have died in Canada after contracting the illness.

Another death was reported in Quebec on Friday, bringing the total in the province to 12.

Health officials in Manitoba said an adult over 18 had died after testing positive for the illness, bringing the number of deaths in that province to four.

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Three London children infected with E. coli in unrelated cases

Three children have been infected with E. coli in London, Ont., in less than a week, prompting health officials to issue a warning. The Middlesex-London Health Unit says the cases are unrelated but three instances of the bacterial infection at the same time is unusual. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Abdelrazik arrives home

Smiling broadly and flashing a peace sign, Abousfian Abdelrazik has been reunited with his son and step daughter in Montreal.

After spending the past six years stranded in Sudan, he said it's great to be home.

Abdelrazik arrived back in Canada Saturday, landing in Toronto where he was met by cheering supporters at Pearson Airport.

Before continuing on to Montreal, he thanked them for making his homecoming possible, and said he was proud to be a Canadian citizen.

Abdelrazik had the same message for the approximately 40 supporters who greeted him in Montreal.

The 47-year old was arrested during a 2003 visit to Sudan to see his mother. He was accused of having ties to terrorists, but was never charged. Abdelrazik claims he was tortured before Sudanese authorities eventually released him.

The RCMP investigated and found no evidence linking him to criminal activities. But it was not until the Federal Court of Canada ordered the Harper government to issue him a passport that he was finally cleared to come home.

Abdelrazik says he wants to relax with his family, get to know them again, and readjust to life in Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

No-fly list

- Abdelrazik's lawyers will go to court on July 7 to try to get his name removed from the UN's no-fly list.

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Abousfian Abdelrazik, centre, with his wife Sahnine and six-year-old son Kouteyba, arrives in downtown Montreal Saturday night.

Pick one: 'O Canada' or Canadian history

EDUCATION Canada Day quiz: Which of these two school activities is more important to fostering national identity — piping the national anthem over a rural elementary school's intercom every morning, or teaching fundamentals of Canadian history to high school students as a requirement for graduation?

A raging debate rose this spring over the decision by a school in New Brunswick to curtail the morning ritual of O Canada. The principal of Belleisle Elementary subsequently left his job and received death threats. The province later made it mandatory to sing O Canada daily in schools.

Contrast that with a national study this month that found the teaching of Canadian history is woefully inadequate in high schools from coast to coast.

Citizenship and Immigration Minister Jason Kenney noted that education is a provincial and not federal responsibility, but added, "I think it's ridiculous that kids can graduate in seven of our 10 provinces without ever having learned about Canadian history."

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Enviro-lipo for climate change

ENVIRONMENT The theory is simple, the debate divisive: To survive global warming, simply insert billions of dollars, suck, and blow.

It's called carbon capture and storage, and Canada is ponying up $3 billion to support enviro-liposuction for consumers who can't — or won't — stop gobbling up fossil fuels.

Calgary-based energy distributor Enbridge is spearheading a group exploring carbon capture solutions in Alberta.

Carbon capture takes emissions at their source — such as emissions from a coal-fired power plant — strips out the carbon dioxide, liquefies it and then shoves it deep into the earth forever.

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News in brief

2010 GAMES The Queen will not be opening the 2010 Olympic Games in Vancouver, leaving the responsibility to Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean. Prime Minister Stephen Harper made the announcement Saturday, saying he's looking forward to Jean taking on the role next Feb. 12. The Queen declared the Games open in Montreal in 1976. Former governor general Jeanne Sauve opened the 1988 Olympics in Calgary.

PORNOGRAPHY Police say a Barrie man arrested on child pornography charges has told them he worked as a part-time Santa Claus. The 58-year-old man was arrested Thursday after police found images of child pornography on a computer, a hard drive and several CDs. Police say they haven't had time to verify his claim, and won't say where the man allegedly worked as a Santa Claus. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Police looking in to vehicle crash
Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that killed one person near Owen Sound. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Packing their bags

Economy doesn't stop holiday plans, new poll says

Despite tough economic times, six in 10 Canadians are still planning to pack their bags for a summer vacation, but the majority of those travellers will be spending their holiday close to home, a new poll suggests.

The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey found that among the 59 per cent planning to take a holiday, 61 per cent are making their summer vacation more of a staycation.

Of those making plans, 26 per cent intend to vacation near the town or city where they already live, while 35 per cent said they planned to stay within their home province. Only 18 per cent plan to travel outside Canada.

54 The percentage of Canadians who said they would be spending around the same amount on summer vacations this year compared to last.

"My impression of the situation is that people are going to continue to take their vacations but they're going to find a way of scaling back the expenditure on those vacations, whatever type they decide to take," said Harris-Decima senior vice-president Jeff Walker.

"It's going to be the kind of vacation where you go to visit a cottage or friend's cottage or maybe a family's cottage, or maybe you go for a long weekend to a resort in whatever part of the country you live."

Minnow Hamilton, managing editor and co-founder of SavvyMom Media, which operates online resource savvymom.ca, said they found comparable results in a similar poll they conducted this year.

"Families all said, 'We're still taking our holiday but we might go closer, we might not fly, we might find ways to have a less expensive holiday,'" said Hamilton, a mother of two sons, ages 12 and 10.

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Cameras mark Canada Day in Victoria

LAW AND ORDER Canada Day celebrations in Victoria, B.C., appear destined to create a bang that lasts beyond the singing of O Canada and the often rowdy fireworks show that lights up the downtown skies.

Victoria police officers will be wearing new body-mounted video cameras on Canada Day and will be conducting liquor searches, while the transit service is banning possession of alcohol from its buses.

As a result, B.C.'s civil liberties association is advising people to consider launching class-action lawsuits to fight what they consider illegal searches.

Up to 50,000 people are expected to crowd into Victoria's Inner Harbour area to take part in Canada Day festivities.

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Const. Brendon LeBlanc, wears a body-mounted video camera on his bicycle helmet in Victoria recently. Victoria police officers will be wearing body-mounted video cameras this Canada Day.

Liberals make appeal for Jewish support

POLITICS The fact Liberal MP Anita Neville is Jewish just didn't seem to hold as much sway with her Winnipeg community last election.

Neville watched as some of her formerly faithful Jewish supporters left for the Conservative party, impressed by its unequivocal pro-Israel stance.

It was a phenomenon felt in other Liberal ridings with significant Jewish populations. One of those ridings actually went blue.

"I have some constituents who for them, (Israel) is the only issue, and they will vote based on that issue and we were not in a good place at that time and not clear in our responses," Neville said of the period before the 2008 campaign.

"That is not the case anymore."

The Liberal party is now struggling to regain its cachet with Canada's Jewish community before the next election.

Leader Michael Ignatieff gave one of his strongest pro-Israel speeches yet, to the Canadian Jewish Congress last month, pushing the party away from a moral neutrality on Middle East issues that made some in the Jewish community unhappy. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Mother and toddler rescued

RAVINE A mother and her two-year-old daughter were rescued from a ravine Saturday after they slid over 36 metres down a steep embankment.

Fire officials said it's not clear how the mother and child came to be in the ravine, though there were reports the mother may have jumped over the embankment after the toddler fell. The incident happened around 6 p.m. in south Edmonton.

"We received a 9-1-1 call that persons had fallen in and upon arrival we found a woman and child approximately 120 feet down," said Edmonton Emergency Response Captain Denis Gignac.

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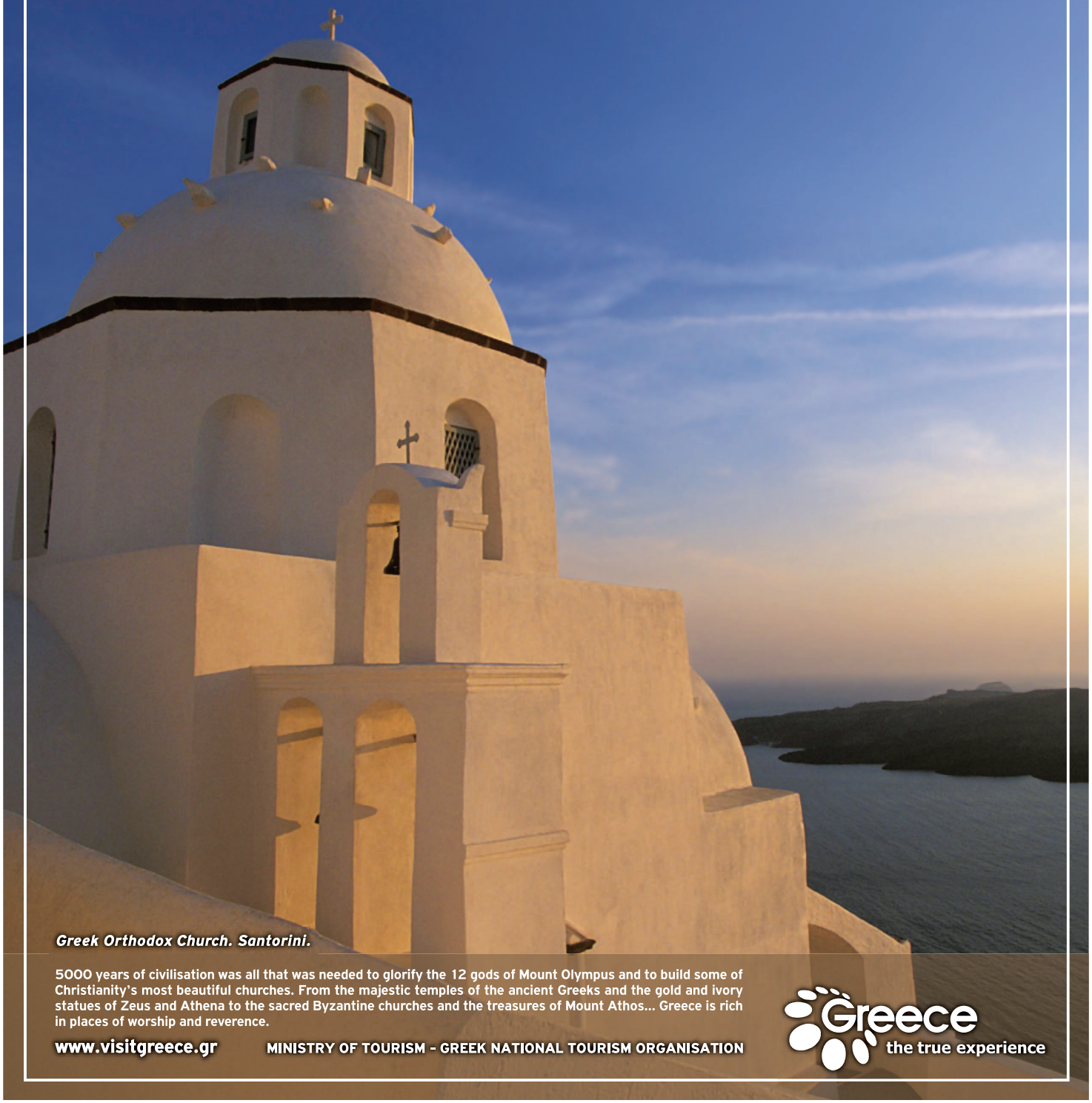

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Fun-filled festivities

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Canada Day. A countrywide celebration of this great land of ours. Canadians will be enjoying some downtime, engaging in traditional holiday activities: Watching fireworks, hanging with friends and wondering whether their local Shoppers Drug Mart is open.

But not in my town. Toronto, alas, is in the grip of a civic workers strike. So here there's no flag-raising ceremony. No fireworks. I think we're still allowed to have friends, but I'll have to check.

I don't question our civic workers' right to strike. If the noble, venerable institution of democracy stands for anything it's the right to gripe, complain and generally refuse to sit back and take it if you feel you're treated unfairly. And there's no reason we can't celebrate anyway. Here's some suggestions for 100 per cent politics-free festivities.

The annual *Thank God, It's Finally Summer* fete. This event may be observed any time after the last, for sure final snowfall of the year. My sister in Calgary tells me that, in her city, they feel it will be safe to celebrate sometime around mid-August. Last year in Toronto summer arrived exactly 15 minutes before the onset of fall. I missed it entirely because I was using the bathroom at the time.

The *I Found A Bathing Suit That Looks Fabulous On Me* victory frolic. This event is celebrated so rarely many people claim it's the stuff of legend. The occasion is observed by feeling sorry for those poor, unfortunate Sports Illustrated models who don't look nearly as good as you, tossing your entire collection of beach cover-ups and calling the store to see if it has the same swimsuit in 40 other colours.

My Child's Finally Finished With Diapers day. This significant occasion is marked by burning $60 cash outside your local supermarket to celebrate your release from financial burden. Following this event are two accompanying celebrations: *The Now We Have To Find A Washroom Every 20 Minutes* festival, and *The Time To Start Saving For The Kid's Tuition* romp.

The Weather Is Beautiful, Life Is Short And Heck, That Just Seems Like A Good Enough Reason To All Knock Off Early jubilee … that one is fairly self-explanatory.

With a little imagination, we can create holidays that aren't subject to the whim of strikes and conflict. So, no matter where you live, let's get out there and celebrate. Just about anything.

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MICHAEL DE ADDER

Worth mentioning

Court standoff may be a positive for Canadian: Day

The judicial wrangling in Saudi Arabia over a Montreal man facing beheading is a good sign, says Trade Minister Stockwell Day, because it shows the country's top court isn't sold on a lower court's ruling.

Saudi Arabia's Supreme Judicial Council has reportedly asked a lower court to again rethink its decision on Mohamed Kohail. It's the latest volley in a game of judicial ping-pong between the two Saudi courts.

Kohail's lawyer was told of the Supreme Judicial Council's request of the lower court Saturday, said Liberal MP Dan McTeague, who has been closely involved in the case.

Day, in Jordan where he signed a free-trade deal yesterday, said the judicial standoff may auger well for Kohail.

"The fact that it's been referred back to the lower court, that is the higher court saying, 'There are some issues here that need to be reconsidered,'" he said.

"We're taking that as positive … but I don't want to be reading things into this decision."

Forcing the Jidda General Court to once more rethink its ruling may allow Kohail's lawyers to air concerns not previously heard, Day added.

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Convicted

- Kohail, 24, was sentenced to death after being convicted in the death of a man during an after-school brawl in Jidda in 2007.

Views

Transit riders endure political gridlock

InTransit

Ed Drass

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What a lot of trouble to replace 30-year-old streetcars. On Friday, Toronto city council approved a historic billion-dollar purchase of new light rail vehicles. That's good news. And yet the process was torturous, years overdue and managed to further erode the credibility of politicians at the local level and in Ottawa.

The fact is the TTC is very short of trams right now — and riders can feel it. Patronage is growing and we are crowded into vehicles that are breaking down at a worrying rate.

Two streetcars collided Saturday at Spadina Avenue and Queen's Quay, adding to an already long list of those needing attention from repair crews.

Even as the TTC expects new subway trains to arrive next year, its fleet of buses and streetcars are not up to acceptable standards. We can place the responsibility for this on leaders at city hall, Queen's Park and Parliament Hill. Decades of ideological bias and poor co-operation hurt Toronto's transport system through neglect, and the damage persists.

Ironically, it was Ottawa's overdue entry into transit funding this decade that saddled the TTC with lousy hybrid-electric buses. Newfangled batteries have been so unreliable that some buses just give out mid-route.

And so the TTC nurses along 25-year-old GMC buses because the hybrids can't be relied upon.

All three levels of government do deserve credit for directing tax dollars to new subway, light rail and GO train lines but the core system used by millions of riders suffers, as if an afterthought.

Our bus and streetcar woes may diminish in less than five years, but it could take much longer to fix worn out subway stations. They are structurally sound but sport a surprising amount of holes in the walls and ceilings.

Now that the city has shifted money around to pay for the new streetcars, will Ottawa's promised stimulus funds reach Toronto transit riders?

The suburban voters that ride GO Transit have also been let down by political gridlock in the past, but the regional carrier is catching up fast. GO passengers use vehicles and stations that are consistently in better repair than the TTC.

Should urban transit be relegated to sub-par quality — in one of the wealthiest cities on the planet — because ideological differences keep our politicians from doing their jobs?

Toronto-based transport writer Ed Drass covers transit issues every Monday; transit@eddrass.com.

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U.S. to waive visa requirements for Greeks

Greek and U.S. officials say they expect to conclude a visa waiver agreement soon, removing a thorn in bilateral relations. A deal on criminal data sharing signed yesterday will pave the way for an agreement by year's end allowing Greeks to visit the U.S. without visas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Sanford vows to stay

South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford, left, says he considered resigning as his extramarital affair became public but vows to remain in office. Sanford spoke yesterday outside his home, and talked of his faith in God and says leaving office would be the easy way out.

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What's next?

IRAN Each evening, the protest cries still come from rooftops in Tehran. They began weeks ago as a display of defiance and unity. Now they echo something else: A chorus that bemoans the suffocating crackdown but also signals that the confrontations with Iran's Islamic regime may be far from over. A month that began with the world watching the giddy all-night campaign parties for Mir Hossein Mousavi is closing with Iranian forces in full lockdown mode — blanketing the streets, censoring the web, detaining Mousavi's backers and showing few hints of compromise after the worst internal unrest since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

What unsettles the regime is probably less about the violence and more about the broad cross-section of protesters: Middle-class shopkeepers and conservative chador-covered women marched alongside fist-pumping hipsters with Che Guevara T-shirts and fake iPhones. Ironically, the last time such a wide coalition of demonstrators joined forces in Iran was the Islamic Revolution.

Perhaps even more startling were the taboo-shattering denunciations of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, whose hardline followers believe is only answerable to God.

A prominent Farsi blogger, Roozbeh Mirebrahimi, wrote shortly before the election that "the process of change has already begun in Iran."

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More protests, more arrests

IranCrisis

Several thousand protesters — some chanting "Where is my vote?" — clashed with riot police in Tehran yesterday as Iran detained local employees of the British Embassy, escalating the regime's standoff with the West and earning it a stinging rebuke from the European Union.

Witnesses said riot police used tear gas and clubs to break up a crowd of up to 3,000 protesters who had gathered near north Tehran's Ghoba Mosque in the country's first major post-election unrest in four days.

Some described scenes of brutality, telling The Associated Press that some protesters suffered broken bones and alleging that police beat an elderly woman, prompting a screaming match with young demonstrators who then fought back.

The clashes erupted at a rally that had been planned to coincide with a memorial held each year for Ayatollah Mohammad Beheshti, who came to be considered a martyr in the Islamic Republic after he was killed in a major anti-regime bombing in 1981.

The Paris-based International Federation of Human Rights said its information suggests at least 2,000 arrests have been made — "not just (people) arrested and later released, but who are locked up in prison," the group's vice-president, Abdol Karim Lahidji, told the AP.

He said his information came from members of human rights groups in Iran and other contacts inside the country.

Editor's note

- Iranian authorities have barred journalists for international news organizations from reporting on the streets and ordered them to stay in their offices. This report is based on the accounts of witnesses reached in Iran and official statements carried on Iranian media.

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Iranian residents in Japan hold placards during a rally against the results of the presidential election in Iran at a park in Tokyo.

Iran's diplomatic battles also intensified yesterday after authorities detained several local employees of the British Embassy in Tehran — a move that Britain's foreign secretary called "harassment and intimidation." Iranian media said eight local embassy staff were detained for alleged roles in post-election protests, but gave no further details. Iran has accused the West of stoking unrest, singling out Britain and the U.S. for alleged meddling and for expressing concern about the ferocity of the regime's crackdown on protesters.

Last week, Iran expelled two British diplomats, and Britain responded in kind.

Yesterday, Iranian Intelligence Minister Gholam Hossein Mohseini Ejehi accused some British embassy staff of mingling with protest crowds to encourage unrest.

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Ahmadinejad diverting: U.S.

U.S. The White House contended yesterday that Iran's president wasn't in charge of his country's foreign policy and said his criticism of Washington was little more than "bloviations."

U.S. President Barack Obama's top adviser, David Axelrod, said the U.S. remains open to meeting, alongside its European allies, with Iran in Paris in an effort to curb Tehran's nuclear ambitions. "We are not looking to reward Iran. We are looking to ... sit down and talk to the Iranians and offer them two paths. And one brings them back into the community of nations, and the other has some very stark consequences," Axelrod said.

"Let's be clear that we didn't meddle in the election in Iran," he said. "The dispute in Iran is between the leadership in Iran and their own people, and plainly, Mr. Ahmadinejad thinks that by fingering the United States, that he can create a political diversion."

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British condemn arrests; EU urges Iran to talk

"This is harassment and intimidation of a kind which is quite unacceptable."
British Foreign Secretary David Miliband

REACTION The European Union wants to restart talks on Iran's nuclear program, the bloc's top foreign policy official said yesterday, even as its foreign ministers condemned the country for its crackdown on demonstrators and rights groups.

"The EU urges the Iranian government to restore and respect the freedom of media, press and all instruments used by the Iranian public to pursue democratic dialogue," the EU's 27 foreign ministers said in a statement after a two-hour meeting on the western Greek island of Corfu.

Still, the EU wants to leave the door open for the resumption of dialogue with Iran on its nuclear program, and officials have sought to balance criticism of the crackdown with the need to prevent Iran from slipping further into isolation.

The ministers also condemned Tehran's detention of nine local British Embassy employees in Iran, and called for their immediate release.

"This is harassment and intimidation of a kind which is quite unacceptable," British Foreign Secretary David Miliband said.

"These are hardworking diplomatic staff. The idea that the British Embassy is somehow behind the demonstrations and protests that have been taking place in Tehran (are) ... wholly without foundation."

Miliband said, as of yesterday morning, four of the nine had been released.

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Officials say six soldiers killed in Taliban attack

PAKISTAN Intelligence officials say six Pakistani soldiers have been killed in a rocket attack on an army convoy in northwest Pakistan.

The officials say militants hit the convoy near Datta Khel in North Waziristan. They say some soldiers were also wounded in the attack.

Four intelligence officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to release the information to media.

A purported Taliban spokesman Ahmadullah Ahmadi claimed responsibility for the attack.

Clashes between the military and insurgents are increasing in Pakistan's volatile northwest, where the army appears to be preparing an offensive in South Waziristan, aimed at eliminating the leader of the Pakistani Taliban.

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Supporters of Pakistan's largest Islamic party, Jamat-e-Islami, march yesterday during a protest military operation against the Taliban in the country's northwest region.

News in brief

LEBANON Supporters of Lebanon's prime minister-designate clashed with rival gunmen in the streets of Beirut yesterday in a first outbreak of violence since this month's election. Hours earlier, Saad Hariri, the Western-backed billionaire who is to become the country's next prime minister, was holding talks with his predecessors as part of the delicate process of forming a government that can unify the deeply divided country. Security officials had no information on casualties, but Al-Arabiya TV reported one woman was killed and at least three people were wounded.

CALIFORNIA A gunman fired into a group of people outside a Los Angeles-area pizzeria Saturday where a motorcycle club was holding a fundraising event, killing three people and wounding seven. Police said yesterday they were still seeking the gunman. Investigators were trying to determine whether the shooting was gang related, said L.A. County sheriff's Deputy Keith Ho.

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At least eight killed in building collapse in Nigeria
A fire department official said at least eight people were killed in the collapse of a three-storey building in Lagos, the Nigerian capital. Lagos State Director of Fire Services Adedeyo Aderemi said 42 people were rescued from the rubble and received medical attention. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Coup in Honduras

Elected president out; Congress names successor

Soldiers ousted the democratically elected president of Honduras yesterday and Congress named a successor, but the leftist ally of Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez denounced what he called an illegal coup and vowed to stay in power.

The first military takeover of a Central American government in 16 years drew condemnation from governments in Latin America and the world — including the U.S. — and Chavez vowed to overthrow the country's apparent new leader.

President Manuel Zelaya was awakened yesterday by gunfire and detained while still in his pyjamas, hours before a constitutional referendum that many saw as an attempt by him to stay in power beyond the one-term limit. An air force plane flew him into forced exile in Costa Rica as armoured military vehicles with machine-guns rolled through the streets of the Honduran capital and soldiers seized the national palace.

"I want to return to my country," Zelaya said in Costa Rica. "I am president of Honduras."

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'Letter of resignation'

- Congress voted to accept what it said was President Zelaya's letter of resignation, with even Zelaya's former allies turning against him. Congressional leader Roberto Micheletti was sworn in to serve until Jan. 27, when Zelaya's term ends.

Taliban scorn Canadian operation

AFGHANISTAN Defiant Taliban heaped scorn on Canada's recent anti-insurgent operation in the village of Salavat, calling the impact on their operations minimal and claiming immediate retaliation for the offensive.

Qari Yousaf Ahmadi, the Taliban's spokesman for the south, was contemptuous of the military's delighted summation of the two-day incursion into the village in the Panjwaii district of southern Afghanistan.

"They are most welcome with these kinds of operations," Ahmadi said by telephone. "This kind of operation affects our strategy very positively, because even more people came to join us." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Salavat

- Ten days ago, hundreds of Canadian soldiers along with Afghan forces invaded the village of 1,500 amid firm intelligence the insurgents were using two compounds.

U.K. Ratha-yatra

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A young girl enjoys the Hare Krishna "Ratha-yatra" Festival yesterday in London's Trafalgar Square.

Two arrested in drug raid on Cayman Islands

GEORGE TOWN Cayman Islands police say a drug raid in the capital has netted nearly 90 kilograms of marijuana.

The Royal Cayman Islands Police Service says officers arrested two young men in their George Town home on suspicion of drug trafficking. Both suspects have been released on bail and have not been identified by police.

Superintendent Kurt Walton says the marijuana was likely ferried to the British Caribbean territory from Jamaica on a 10-metre canoe outfitted with an outboard motor found adrift offshore.

Walton said yesterday the canoe is currently being examined by investigators.

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News in brief

NORTH KOREA The U.S. ambassador to the UN says the U.S. is keeping close tabs on a suspected North Korean arms ship. An American destroyer has been tracking the North Korean freighter sailing off China's coast, possibly on its way to Myanmar.

CAMBODIA An accidental explosion at an ammunitions dump yesterday wounded at least two people in a Cambodian suburb near the residence of Prime Minister Hun Sen. There were no immediate reports of fatalities.

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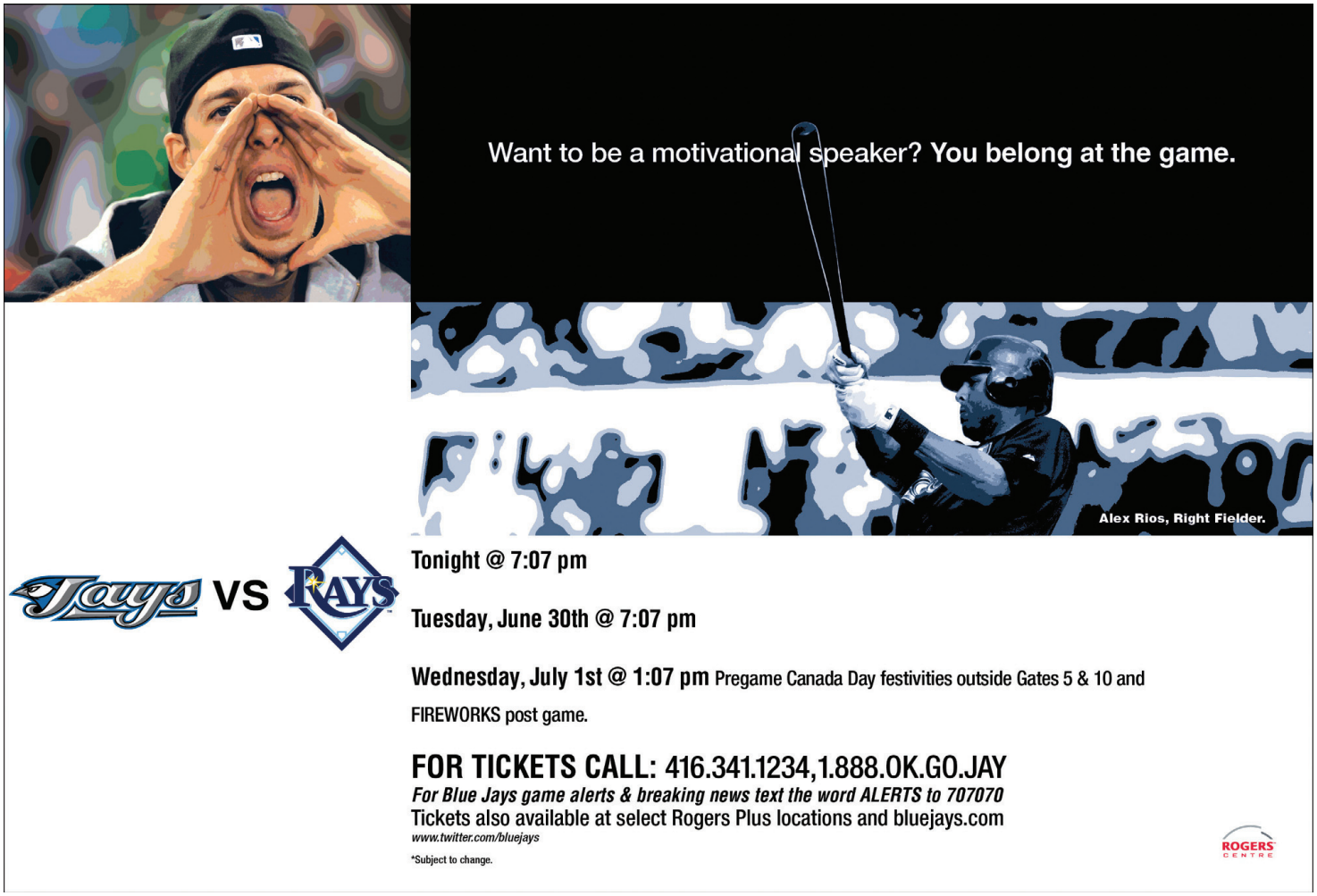

Canucks crush Kiwis

Canada crushed New Zealand 55-0 in its opening game Saturday at the 2009 IFAF World Junior Football Championship in Canton, Ohio. Canada's next game is Wednesday against Japan, a team that earlier beat Germany 10-7. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Bronze for Canada

Simon Whitfield, left, Lauren Groves, Brent McMahon and Kathy Tremblay took bronze at the inaugural team world triathlon championship relay competition yesterday in Des Moines, Iowa. The event includes two women and two men on each team. Each athlete completes a 250-metre swim, 6.6-kilometre bike ride and 1.6-kilometre run. Switzerland's top team captured the gold medal with a time of 1:20:56, while Australia was second at 1:21:05. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Brazil rallies to claim Confederations Cup

Brazil's "Beautiful Game" came alive in the second half yesterday with three comeback goals in a 3-2 win over the United States in the Confederations Cup final.

Luis Fabiano scored two goals and Lucio added the third in the 84th minute to give Brazil its second straight Confederations Cup title and third overall.

But it was all looking good for the Americans, playing in the men's final of a FIFA tournament for the first time, in the first half when Clint Dempsey and Landon Donovan gave the team a 2-0 halftime lead.

"You realize why these guys are worth so much at times like this, but it's still disappointing," Donovan said. "We are in the position where we don't want respect, we want to win."

Brazil looked like a beaten team in the first 45 minutes, creating little and being constantly stymied by the United States defence and goalkeeper Tim Howard.

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Brazil's Lucio, centre, holds the Confederations Cup trophy after defeating the U.S. 3-2 in the tournament championship.

Fabiano started the comeback in the 46th minute. The striker collected a pass from Ramires before turning and shooting past defender Jay DeMerit for his fourth goal of the tournament. He added a tournament-leading fifth to equalize in the 74th, heading in a rebound after Kaka's cross was kicked against the crossbar by Robinho.

"We gave up the first goal so early in the second half," United States coach Bob Bradley said. "We really put ourselves in a tough spot."

Lucio then delivered the decisive goal in the 84th, heading a corner from Elano past Howard.

Brazil has won eight matches in a row, and is unbeaten in 16. The five-time world champions also won the Confederations Cup in 1997 and 2005.

And in 15 matches against the United States, the Brazilians have only lost once — a 1-0 result in the 1998 CONCACAF Gold Cup.

In the third-place match, Spain fought back to beat host South Africa 3-2 after extra time in Rustenburg.

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Clubs should help country put best team forward

JustSoccer

Ben Rycroft

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For most supporters, when a player from your club is chosen to represent the national squad, there is a sense of accomplishment — even pride.

For, in most countries, how the national team goes, so does the sport.

A perfect example is in the U.S. — exposure for soccer is at an all-time high after its national team shocked its way into the Confederations Cup final against Brazil.

Despite the loss to the South American giants in the final, just making it that far has the U.S. media broadly painting that success as a reflection on the health of their game.

But in Canada, the same cannot be said.

The sport here is at its healthiest in a generation. The emergence of professional clubs has the most widely played recreational sport fast approaching a tipping point into mainstream sportsdom — and it recently has had little or nothing to do with the success, or lack thereof, by our national teams.

"For a country to do well, it needs to have the support of the clubs."

Not only do few club supporters take pride in seeing one of their players off to represent Canada at international competitions, but they even display a level of annoyance and frustration when it happens.

A "well, how many games are they going to miss?" attitude pervades Montreal, Vancouver and Toronto — which is hit particularly hard by player loss each year.

The club vs. country debate — which centres on where players and fans should place their priorities — is quickly being shoved aside by the passionate support of club soccer and there is a real danger in that.

For a country to do well, it needs to have the support of the clubs to facilitate it. Word that TFC has put significant pressure on the Canadian Soccer Association to not draw so heavily from its player pool is troubling.

More troubling is that the CSA seems to have bowed to that wish. Dwayne De Rosario (who declined an invite), Adrian Serioux, Jim Brennan and Nana Attakora-Gyan will not join Canada for this summer's Gold Cup — one competition where Canada has done well.

If soccer is ever going to cross over into the mainstream culture here, the national team needs to win international competitions — the U.S. success demonstrates that. And presently, the national team can't do that if the clubs are only interested in winning domestic competitions.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca.

Sports in brief

PGA Kenny Perry shot a 63 to finish with a tournament-record 258 and win the Travelers Championship by three strokes over Paul Goydos and David Toms, two other golfers in their 40s. The 48-year-old Perry tied a course record with a 61 Thursday and led after each of the first two rounds of the tournament.

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Boston at Baltimore
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FRIDAY
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SATURDAY
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Chicago at Colorado
Houston at Kansas City
New York at FC Dallas
New England at Los Angeles

Toronto Bills not a foregone conclusion
Buffalo Bills owner Ralph Wilson told The Associated Press yesterday he would prefer waiting "two or three years" to determine whether his team's games in Toronto are a success before he would consider extending the contract reached last year with Rogers Communications. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Doors opened by Stairs

New Brunswick native helped pave the way for Canadians in MLB

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In the visitors' clubhouse at Rogers Centre this past weekend, Philadelphia outfielder Matt Stairs was proudly sporting a gold chain bearing his country's name. A St. John, N.B., native, Stairs is as proud a Canadian as you'll find in baseball.

As well, at 41 years old, and with 17 years of major league experience under his belt, Stairs is considered the current elder statesman of Canadian baseball.

However, Stairs insists Canadians in the big leagues today don't have to possess such credentials to be treated as equals to their American counterparts.

"They still tease us about the accents," Stairs said with a smile. "But that's it."

The major leagues have changed a great deal from when Stairs first began his career in 1992 with the Montreal Expos. Nowadays, many Canadians, including Minnesota's Justin Morneau, Boston's Jason Bay and Cincinnati's Joey Votto are being heralded as franchise-type players. Such strength in numbers was just not present in the past.

Stairs hopes that as the number of Canadian players reaching the majors continues to grow, so too will interest and the belief that it is indeed a real possibility.

"The biggest thing is the more Canadians that play will open the door for more Canadian players believing in themselves to have a chance to make it to the big leagues," he said.

And Stairs is a nice example in that sense. At five-foot-nine and 215 pounds, he doesn't fit the typical build of a baseball player.

"I hope it rubs off on people who want to pursue a major league career — or any kind of career," said Stairs. "Knowing that you really weren't expected to be where you're at and all of a sudden, 17 years later, you're still doing well. I think it shows that hard work and determination will get you a long way."

Larry Walker

- Matt Stairs ranks second to former outfielder Larry Walker in games played (1,708) and home runs (257) by a Canadian. Walker, who played for the Expos, Rockies and Cardinals during his 17-year career, is someone Stairs greatly admires. "I think he'll go down in history as being the best Canadian ballplayer to ever play," said Stairs.

Phillies edge Jays, take series

MLB RESULTS

Philadelphia 5 Toronto 4

BASEBALL The Philadelphia Phillies overcame two home runs by Toronto's Aaron Hill and used a four-run fourth inning to defeat the Blue Jays 5-4 yesterday.

It was the second win in a row for the Phillies, who lost the opener of the three-game interleague series 6-1 on Friday.

Brad Lidge pitched the ninth to pick up his 14th save of the season despite giving up a bunt single that was followed by a walk. Pinch-runner John McDonald was caught off second for the second out to help kill a potential rally before a Rogers Centre crowd of 36,379.

Phillies starter Jamie Moyer (6-6) lasted five innings and allowed four runs and five hits, including two homers by Hill and one by Jose Bautista.

Blue Jays starter Brian Tallet (5-5) couldn't hold a 4-1 lead and four of the five runs he allowed in six innings came in the fourth. One of the left-hander's runs was unearned, but he gave up eight hits and six walks, three to Jayson Werth.

Hill hit an 0-1 hanging curveball to left for his first homer and his 18th of the season. He then hit a first-pitch changeup to lead off the third for the first two-homer game of his career. Later in the inning Scott Rolen doubled to extend his career-high hitting string to 16 games.

Hill now holds the team single-season record for home runs by a second baseman. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Burke's 'commitment to size and toughness' showing

MAPLE LEAFS Brian Burke is really starting to put his fingerprints on the Toronto Maple Leafs.

There was a common thread running through the seven selections he made during his first draft as GM of the NHL team — they're all North American and they're all capable of playing with edge. It's just another step towards a different brand of hockey at the Air Canada Centre.

"I think it shows our commitment to size and toughness," Burke said Saturday. "I can predict with some confidence that we're going to take similar strides once July 1 comes."

Burke doesn't expect any of his draft picks to play for the big team in the fall. That includes seventh overall pick Nazem Kadri, who will likely spend another season with the OHL's London Knights before playing professionally.

"I don't think any of these guys will make us bigger immediately," said Burke. "Virtually all of these guys, including our first pick, are going to need some time. Some of them are downright raw — these are guys that are two, three, four years away."

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High jump **Canadian championships**

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Nicole Forrester of Newmarket finished second in the women's high jump at the Canadian Track and Field Championships yesterday in Toronto. Jillian Drouin of Sarnia won the event.

Sports in brief

BASEBALL The Tampa Bay Rays became the fastest team to reach 100 homers and 100 steals by the All-Star break when B.J. Upton homered yesterday. It was the Rays' 100th homer this season. Tampa Bay, which started yesterday with 116 stolen bases, accomplished the feat in 77 games. The previous fastest were Cincinnati (1977) and Cleveland (1994), who both did it in 84 games according to Stats LLC. The only other teams to reach that mark by the All-Star break since 1954 were the 2003 Marlins and the 1998 Blue Jays.

GOLF South Korea's Jiyai Shin picked up her fifth title in 11 months with a seven-stroke victory at the Wegmans LPGA yesterday. The 21-year-old star from Seoul shot a 1-under 71 to finish in a downpour at 17-under 271. Kristy McPherson and Yani Tseng each shot a 66 to surge into a second-place tie at 10 under. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Magma Energy going public

Magma Energy Corp. said it raised $100 million in an initial public offering — twice what some analysts had expected — and will begin trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange early next month. A Magma spokeswoman said the Vancouver-based geothermal company will begin trading on July 7 under the symbol MXY. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Business

Canada inks pact with Jordan

Canada has inked a free trade pact with Jordan that will lift duties on Canadian exports to the Arab nation. Federal Trade Minister Stockwell Day, left, and his Jordanian counterpart signed the agreement yesterday in Amman. Canada's forestry, manufacturing and agriculture sectors are expected to benefit from duty-free access.

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Choppy week likely ahead

MARKETS The Toronto stock market could be in for a choppy week of trading as momentum in the TSX rally that started in early March continues to slow. But analysts say a retrenchment is a positive development after the TSX charged ahead as much as 41 per cent from March 10 to the highs hit on June 11. The TSX netted a gain of almost one per cent last week following a volatile series of sessions, which still leaves the main index up about 37 per cent from March 9. "The market went very far in a very short period of time, so a bit of a pullback, consolidation ... is actually a healthy thing," said Patricia Croft, chief economist RBC Global Management. "But I think the bigger question is, the markets have priced in the fact that the worst case scenario is off the table, we're not going into depression, the financial system is not going to melt down. But I think the recent pullback also reflects the larger issue which is, where do we go from here?" THE CANADIAN PRESS

37%
TSX main index increase since March 9.

Carney changing tone

Governor says recovery 'not there yet'

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney has economists, and perhaps the markets, trying to read between the lines again, if not scratching their collective heads.

The central banker has made three public pronouncements in the past two weeks that have surprised listeners for their foreboding tone on economic developments, particularly since Carney is widely regarded as being in the glass-half-full crowd.

In recent speeches in Montreal and Regina, the bank governor was almost dismissive of indicators of economic improvement, warning that whatever good news existed was caused artificially by massive government and central bank stimulus. The private sector "is not there yet," he cautioned.

And in a report from an off-the-record speech Tuesday at the Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars in Washington, Carney broke with official Ottawa dogma in declaring Canada's recession to be as deep as that in the U.S.

Green shoots

- As many economists are pointing to signs of recovery — with the World Bank a notable exception — Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney has been warning about putting too much stock in so-called "green shoots" — the now-common catch phrase used to indicate the first signs of life in a moribund economy.

Bank officials refused to confirm or deny the remark, instead pointing to Carney's last official forecast in April, which indeed has Canada's gross domestic product shrinking by three per cent this year, as opposed to 2.4 per cent for the U.S.

Carney

"Nobody expects policymakers to be cheerleaders, but do they have to be naysayers?" asked Douglas Porter, deputy chief economist with the Bank of Montreal, who is among several who wonder at Carney's transformation from Mr. Sunshine to Dr. Gloom in four months.

"The Bank of Canada is one of the few forecasters in the world that sees Canada underperforming the U.S. this year," Porter notes.

But there's more. Carney is also in an exclusive club of economic forecasters that sees Canada rebounding from the bottom at twice the rate of the U.S. next year, a prognosis he was reported to have repeated last week in Washington. Most see the two economies returning to slow growth of between 1.5 and two per cent next year.

As economists will readily admit, predicting how thousands of businesses and millions of consumers will behave next month or next year is part science and part black magic, particularly in volatile times such as these when stock markets appear to fluctuate wildly on the thinnest of premises.

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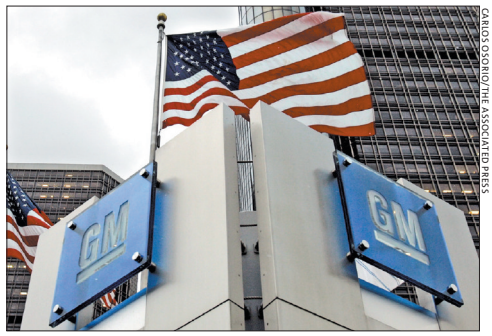

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In this 2008 file photo, General Motors headquarters is seen in downtown Detroit. As part of its government-backed restructuring plan, GM wants to sell the bulk of its assets to a new company and leave behind unprofitable assets and other liabilities.

GM agrees to take on future liability claims

AUTOMOTIVE General Motors has agreed to take on responsibility for future product liability claims, removing what could have been a sizable roadblock on the automaker's path to a quick sale of its assets and emergence from U.S. Chapter 11 bankruptcy as a new company.

As part of its government-backed restructuring plan, GM wants to sell the bulk of its assets to a new company and leave behind unprofitable assets and other liabilities such as product-related lawsuits.

A hearing on the proposed sale is scheduled for tomorrow.

But in a concession to consumer groups and state officials who had threatened to block the sale because of product liability concerns, the new company will now assume responsibility for future claims involving vehicles made by the old company, according to documents filed in federal bankruptcy court in New York on Friday.

Under the automaker's previous plan, "New GM" would not have assumed any liability for future claims related to GM vehicles made before the sale and creation of the new company.

That meant consumers who wanted to file a lawsuit related to a defective GM vehicle would have had to seek compensation from "Old GM," a collection of mostly unprofitable assets left over after the sale, where there likely would be nothing left to pay their claims.

But under the new plan, "New GM" will not assume liability for already pending claims against the automaker and those people will still be forced to seek compensation from "Old GM."

"The fact that 'New GM' will protect consumers injured by defective 'Old GM' cars is a positive development for public safety," The Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims of Chrysler and GM said in a statement released late Saturday.

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In brief

MEDIA Concerns about the loss of local programming were aired by a room of broadcasters Saturday as the CRTC set the stage for "crucial" upcoming decisions by the federal regulator that will impact the future of Canadian TV. With expenses climbing, ad revenues dwindling and audiences fragmenting, a number of local TV stations are in jeopardy. Three stations owned by CTVglobemedia and five Canwest E! stations have been either slated for closure or put up for sale in the past year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Curbing lawn fertilizer a simple solution

EarthTones

As we enjoyed the first official week of summer, in many parts of Canada it finally felt like summer. Around here, it certainly smelled like summer down by the lake. Trillions of small green cells began washing ashore and rotting.

Actually, to focus on the smell is a bit like having your car stolen and bemoaning the loss of your pine-tree air freshener. The blooms can cause more serious problems than the shoreline smelling. This large slug of biomass, whatever does not wash ashore, will eventually sink and rot there, removing oxygen from the deeper water. In extreme cases, this can cause fish kills. If you thought the algae stunk up the beaches, just wait until millions of alewife wash ashore. Another problem is that some bloom-forming organisms, particularly cyano bacteria, can produce chemicals that affect the taste of water, or worse, that are toxic.

Of course these blooms do not happen as often as they did 40 years ago. The frequency of these blooms and the nuisance they caused back then created the impetus for legislation protecting our waters. Improving water quality (i.e. ending nuisance blooms) was a major driver in the creation of the United States' Environmental Protection Agency. With phosphorus banned from many detergents and better regulation of point source discharges, water quality improved dramatically. Water became clearer and lakes became swimmable again. The recovery of many North American lakes remains one of the better environmental success stories.

But over the past 10 to 15 years, we have seen a new increase in the frequency of these blooms. The problem is that all of the phosphorus discharged into the lakes before is still there. A wave of invasive species, most notably the zebra and quagga mussels, appear to alter their new environment in a way that favours these blooms by making phosphorus from the sediments relatively more available.

So, what can be done? On the invader side, not much. These mussels are now very much a part of our Canadian fauna. And you do not hear about them like you did a decade ago.

But what we can and are doing is trying to turn off the faucet. New federal restrictions to go into effect in 2010 will further limit phosphorus in detergents. When first announced, many complained about the inconvenience of spots on their wineglasses. In Canada, the government may not interfere in the bedroom, but seemed hellbent on wrecking dinner parties. Since then, many suppliers have already reduced or eliminated phosphorus from dishwashing detergent. We have yet to hear of event that was ruined.

The other target for reduction has to be non-point sources. Many jurisdictions have or are implementing nutrient management plans to reduce inputs from larger dischargers, primarily affecting agriculture. But where you can help is in reducing the use of lawn fertilizers. For those of us packed in around Lake Ontario, that is a major source of nutrient loading that could be curbed immediately. With many ecological challenges we feel powerless or that the cost is too great. Here's an example where a minor change in our behaviour could have a dramatic positive impact with no cost and only minor inconvenience. If we can't get it together on this one, the greater challenges are pretty hopeless.

Sophia Dore is an environmental scientist with Conestoga-Rovers & Associates. Andrew Laursen is an assistant professor at Ryerson University; earthtones.metro@gmail.com.

4 tips to leave the campground as you found it

ENVIRO Before you head out to one of Canada's beautiful parks on a camping trip, consider the following tips that will help care for the environment.

We all know the cardinal rule "Leave the area just as you found it," but here some other tips to keep in mind:

1. Use reusable dishes: Do not use styrofoam and plastic picnic dishes.

2. Sort your garbage: Bringing different waste bags to separate food scraps and other garbage from recyclables.

3. Repackage food: Remove all food packaging and repack it in reusable containers. Don't bring individual packed food items.

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Iran academics arrested

According to a website affiliated with defeated Iranian presidential candidate Mir Hossein Mousavi, 70 university professors have been detained in the country in a widespread crackdown on protestors. The site states that 70 members of the Islamic Society of University Professors were arrested after meeting with Mousavi last week. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Dr. Mark Peterson, a heart surgeon, stands atop St. Michael's Hospital in downtown Toronto. In his two years at St. Mike's, he's performed more than 500 heart surgeries.

Mending hearts, one by one

Head to **Toe**

RAFEL BRUSILOW
for Metro Canada

Keeping hearts beating is Dr. Mark Peterson's calling.

The Winnipeg-born heart surgeon, who averages more than 250 surgeries per year at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, says despite the long hours, long surgeries and intense professional challenge, he wouldn't do anything else in the world.

"I feel very lucky to say I love my job — there's nothing else that I'd rather do. If I won the lottery, I would continue to work because being in the operating room, to me, is not work," Peterson said.

Peterson says what motivates him most is the desire to continually improve the field of cardiac surgery with new techniques, new approaches and new solutions to old problems.

"There's always that pressure to make us get better, to innovate. We're in an era now where things are changing all the time — new imaging techniques and less invasive methods are getting people out of hospital sooner. As technology improves and we get better, people's expectations get better," Peterson said.

Peterson has already performed 500 heart surgeries in his two years of practice at St. Michael's. While the vast majority are preplanned, carefully orchestrated affairs, he does take on emergency surgeries when needed.

"My advice is fairly simple — do everything you can do to avoid having to see me."
Dr. Mark Peterson, Heart Surgeon

In one particularly memorable case last December, Peterson got a call about an otherwise healthy man in his 50s who was dying from an aortic dissection — the same condition which killed actor John Ritter so suddenly. Peterson raced to the operating room and quickly realized there was no time for a CT scan as the sac around the man's heart was rapidly filling with blood, threatening to suffocate it. Once he began surgery, Peterson realized the tear in the man's heart was much worse than expected, forcing him to make an instant decision to perform a full reconstruction of one of the heart's main structures (an aortic arch) — an operation which, on a good day, is so complicated that many surgeons don't perform it.

Peterson went ahead and the operation was so successful, the man left hospital hardly a week later and is doing very well. Moments like that are what convince Peterson he picked the right career.

"We pulled this guy out of the grave. I'm pretty proud about that one. All that culmination of your training and expertise to make somebody better — it's hard to describe why it's so satisfying, so rewarding, but it is," Peterson said.

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Dr. Mark Peterson with patient Anna Vianellis, recovering well after heart surgery performed on her by Peterson.

If the thought of cardiac surgery scares you, maybe it's time to start living a healthier lifestyle.

"My advice is fairly simple — do everything you can do to avoid having to see me. Quit smoking, eat well and make exercise a mandatory part of your life — it's ultimately a matter of life and death," he said.

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Research on the smallest levels

Education for health fact finders 'meandering' but the pay off makes it worthwhile

Head to **Toe**

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

The science bug bit Dawn Bowdish during a co-operative education program she took in high school. Now, she's fighting the bugs that cause infectious diseases.

"I study a kind of white blood cell — because our white blood cells are our immune response — called a macrophage. They are important because they're the white blood cells that are associated with initial detection and, hopefully, defeat of pathogens," she said.

Bowdish, 33, is an assistant professor of pathology and molecular medicine, appointed to the Michael G. DeGroote Institute for Infectious Disease Research at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ont.

In the Hamilton native's research, she focuses on the bacteria that cause tuberculosis, and streptococcus pneumonia, which causes lung and ear infections and meningitis

The career of a health researcher is not suited for those keen to take the educational fast track — an undergraduate degree won't cut it. Bowdish started at the University of Guelph, obtaining a bachelor of science in microbiology, and then acquired her PhD in microbiology and immunology at the University of British Columbia, followed by post-doctoral training at the University of Oxford in Oxford, U.K.

"It's a very meandering trail of degrees you have to follow," said Bowdish, who noted her path conforms to the basic outline of someone in her position, save for the post-doctoral training, which could last between six months and any number of decades. "You have to be committed to your education," she said.

BRIAN COULTON/FOR METRO CANADA

Commitment to your education is very important for health researchers, says Dawn Bowdish, but even more important is your commitment to your experiments once you're established.

Commitment continues to be key throughout a researcher's career. While Bowdish said making some kind of discovery is rewarding, it's getting to that point that's the hard part. "Science can be repetitive and frustrating," she said. "A macrophage is a particularly difficult cell to work on, so often you can literally spend months, sometimes years, just getting your experiment to work. That can be absolutely devastating!"

And although Bowdish describes her dream day as one being spent wholly in the lab, she said much of her day is consumed by necessary administrative tasks. "In reality, I spend a lot of my time writing grants — asking the government or various charities for money, basically, to do the research. I also spend a lot of time writing up my research so that it's published and other researchers will become aware of it."

"Often you can literally spend months, sometimes years, just getting your experiment to work."
Health researcher Dawn Bowdish

Bowdish wants awareness of her work to eventually mark her as Canada's foremost macrophage biologist and, in the long term, to develop anti-infective therapies to treat infectious diseases. And despite the frustrations she faces in the form of paperwork and repetition, she holds, "The thrill of discovery makes it all worthwhile."

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Workology in **brief**

MEN OUTNUMBER WOMEN IN OTTAWA According to a new study released by Catalyst, men continue to outnumber women four to one in all positions in Canada's capital market, excluding administration. In 2008, women held 17 per cent of all line positions (ones needed to advance to the highest levels), a figure that hasn't changed since 2000. The study also found decreased levels of women in line positions at the professional and managing director level and above, which is a troubling trend since it indicates there is less diversity of thought at the senior decision-making tables.

SECTORS A recently released survey of employment, payrolls and hours indicates that in April, the service sector — universities, food services and drinking places, and truck transportation — job losses outpaced those in the goods sector. The goods sector also experienced a loss in employment, mainly in support activities for mining, oil and gas extraction and specialty trade contractors. But despite the widespread loses in the service sector, some service industries did experience job growth including municipal and public administration and grocery and department stores.

MENTAL STRESS Canadian employees are displaying signs of mental stress related to the current troubled economy, according to a 2009 Desjardins Financial Security National Health Survey. The findings show that 30 per cent of employees are experiencing anxiety, sleep loss, headaches, and other physical tension symptoms. However, certain parts of the country reported high-than-average results. Employees in Ontario and British Columbia rated higher symptoms than people in the rest of the country. HEATHER BUCHAN/ FOR METRO CANADA

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Recently, Jane Steele Moore spent time on the phone with a Toyota dealership. Staff there sold one of her clients a car three years ago, and now one of the airbags was faulty.

The dealer was refusing to pay for a replacement.

To get a fairer deal, she boned up on airbags by doing research and contacting Transport Canada. After considerable time negotiating, she got the car company to pay for the $500 airbag — her client had to shell out for labour.

"I was appalled, quite frankly, about this one," says Steele Moore.

A typical tale for an expert in consumer complaints.

Steele Moore, 57, began her professional life studying early childhood education, where she learned a lot about human nature. But she soon started working in business.

She's been in customer service; she's also worked with the Royal Bank's insurance division, trained people in call centres and done marketing.

For eight years, she worked as a freelance consultant. She enjoyed it, but kept thinking that customer complaints rarely got their due, and someone should do something about it. She knew consumers often got too emotionally involved in their service or product problems with a company, plus they rarely knew how the complaints process worked. The end result was often frustrating.

Nine moths ago, Steele Moore put her idea into practice. She launched Complaints Are Us in Toronto with a small staff, most of whom work at home.

She and her team — she calls them concierges, while she's the chief complaints officer — tackle product or service complaints on behalf of clients. While Steele Moore won't take on issues of a legal or medical nature, she's overturned faulty credit ratings and got returns on defective mattresses, to name a few.

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Bon Jovi sends a message to Iran

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Entertainment

Celeb wish list

The host of I'm a Celebrity...Get Me Out of Here! is already thinking of casting the next season. On Damien Fahey's wish list are Clay Aiken, Lance Bass, Paris Hilton and Lindsay Lohan. TVGUIDE.COM

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Jackson doctor talks to cops

The cardiologist who was with Michael Jackson during the pop star's final moments sat down with investigators for the first time to explain his actions — and left three hours later as a witness, not a suspect.

Dr. Conrad Murray "helped identify the circumstances around the death of the pop icon and clarified some inconsistencies," Murray's spokeswoman Miranda Sevcik said in a statement Saturday. "Investigators say the doctor is in no way a suspect and remains a witness to this tragedy."

Murray, a physician with a tangled financial and personal history who was hired to accompany Jackson on his planned summer concert tour, reportedly performed CPR until paramedics arrived. The pop star was declared dead later at UCLA Medical Center.

Police confirmed that they interviewed Murray, adding that he was co-operative and "provided information which will aid the investigation."

The interview took place on a busy day when one of Jackson's lawyers was chosen to represent the family's legal interests and celebrities descended on Los Angeles for a star-studded public celebration of the King of Pop's life.

L. Londell McMillan, who represented Jackson last year in a breach of contact lawsuit and has advised high-profile clients such as Prince, was picked to help the family by Katherine Jackson, the singer's mother, said a person who requested anonymity because the matter is private.

The legal move came as the Rev. Jesse Jackson revealed that Michael Jackson's family sought a second, private autopsy of the pop superstar because of unanswered questions about how he died.

"It's abnormal," Jesse Jackson said. "We don't know what happened. Was he injected and with what? All reasonable doubt should be addressed."

People close to Jackson have said since his death that they were concerned about his use of painkillers. Los Angeles County medical examiners completed their autopsy Friday and said Jackson had taken prescription medication.

Medical officials also said there was no indication of trauma or foul play. An official cause of death could take weeks.

There was no word from the Jackson family on funeral plans. Many of Jackson's relatives have gathered at the family's Encino compound, caring there for Jackson's three children.

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Joe Jackson, father of the late pop star Michael Jackson, right, waves to supporters as the Rev. Jesse Jackson, left, and son Yusef Jackson look on outside the Jackson family home in Los Angeles.

"We don't know what happened. Was he injected and with what? All reasonable doubt should be addressed."

Jesse Jackson

It remains unclear who Jackson designated as potential guardians for his children. Those details — likely contained in the 50-year-old singer's will — have not been released.

The Jackson family issued a statement Saturday expressing its grief over the death and thanking his supporters.

"In one of the darkest moments of our lives we find it hard to find the words appropriate to this sudden tragedy we all had to encounter," said the statement made through People magazine. "We miss Michael endlessly."

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Fawcett funeral tomorrow

A private funeral service will be held tomorrow for Farrah Fawcett at the Cathedral of Our lady of the Angels in downtown Los Angeles. Fawcett died Thursday from a rare cancer. She was 62. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Pain was a part of success

It was the last day of shooting for a Pepsi commercial at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles in 1984, and the only hiccup had been an argument between Michael Jackson and an ad executive over whether the young superstar would take off his sunglasses.

"Then," as the executive later wrote, "we set his hair on fire."

Jackson was descending a staircase in an extravagant, pyrotechnic opening sequence, dancing to Billie Jean, when a spark landed on his head. Jackson cried out. People nearby leapt on him to put out the fire, but Jackson was hospitalized for days with a burned scalp.

Thus began a thread of pain that ran through a remarkable career — and made painkillers all too accessible. Because of accidents, frequent plastic surgery and the sheer intensity of his dancing, physical agony was the unshakable problem with being Michael Jackson.

Medical examiners in Los Angeles are perhaps weeks away from determining an official cause of death, but officials did say Friday that tests showed Jackson was taking prescription medication. At the end of his life, a personal cardiologist was living with Jackson while he rehearsed rigorously for a historic comeback.

Since his death, people close to Jackson have said they were worried about his dependence on the medication. In 1993, while he was defending himself against child molestation charges, Jackson himself called it an addiction.

On Saturday, spiritual teacher Dr. Deepak Chopra said he had been concerned since 2005 that Jackson was abusing painkillers and spoke to the pop star about suspected drug use as recently as six months ago.

"In a way, this was coming, and in a way, it's frustrating that we couldn't do anything about it," he said.

Well before Jackson had a doctor living under his own roof, there were ample reasons to turn to pharmaceuticals to relieve pain.

In the early 1990s, Jackson's dermatologist revealed the singer had a skin disorder known as vitiligo, which leads to white patches on the skin. And over the years, Jackson underwent numerous plastic surgeries, the most prominent being the narrowing of his nose. Few people know exactly how many there were in all.

In 1990, he was hospitalized with chest pains. In 1993, he cancelled a performance due to dehydration and later cut his tour short because of his painkiller addiction. In 1995, he collapsed on stage at the Beacon Theater in New York and was hospitalized.

Then there was London. Mounting a comeback aimed at least in part on erasing the taint of years of scandal, Jackson was to perform a staggering 50 shows at the O2 arena, the first of them in mid-July.

Those involved in the production said Jackson was heavily involved in all aspects of the concert rehearsals. He had hired a personal trainer and was practising with backup dancers and choreographers several hours a day.

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In this May 6, 2009, image, pop star Michael Jackson, centre, and director Kenny Ortega, left, are shown in Los Angeles during rehearsals for his series on concerts in London.

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GETTY IMAGES

La Toya Jackson

Jackson clips pulled from Brüno film

MOVIES The filmmakers behind Brüno have decided to delete a scene involving La Toya Jackson following her brother's death.

Universal Pictures, which is releasing the comedy, said the decision came "out of respect for the Jackson family."

The moment was first cut out of the movie's Los Angeles premiere Thursday night, which took place just hours after the Michael Jackson's death at age 50.

Brüno, starring British comic Sacha Baron Cohen as a flamboyantly gay Austrian fashion correspondent, is set to come out July 10 and is the follow-up to his 2006 smash Borat.

La Toya Jackson had been featured in an absurd interview with Brüno in which she sits on a Mexican man's back and eats sushi off a second, naked Mexican man.

The moment is classic Baron Cohen, the kind in which he places some unsuspecting person in a weirdly deadpan situation and waits for the humiliation — and the humour — to follow.

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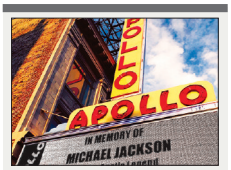

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Apollo tribute

• The Harlem theatre that helped launch Michael Jackson's career plans star-studded tributes to him this summer. The Apollo Theater will also stage a public memorial tomorrow at 2 p.m. Eulogies will be delivered under the marquee by its president and others. Inside, DJs will spin Jackson's music accompanied by video tributes.

Religion, along with music, played roles in Mideast appeal

A Bahraini royal mourned him publicly, young Lebanese held a candlelight tribute, Egyptian musicians hailed him as an inspiration.

Beyond his global reach, Michael Jackson held a special place in the Muslim world, as one of the first major western entertainers to break through cultural barriers in the 1980s.

Some made a connection with the pop icon because of rumours, never substantiated, that he had converted to Islam. Others embraced him as one of their own after he sought refuge in the Gulf emirate of Bahrain in 2005, following a bruising trial on child molestation charges in the U.S.

"The world has lost a giant in the music industry ... We are all very saddened by that." Sheik Abdulla bin Hamad Isa Al Khalifa

"God have mercy on him. He was a Bahraini. He lived with us," said Jassim Ali, 35, shopping for Jackson CDs on Saturday in a music store in the capital, Manama.

Jackson only spent a year in the emirate, as a guest of Sheik Abdulla bin Hamad Isa Al Khalifa, a son of Bahrain's king and an aspiring songwriter who had befriended the entertainer. Jackson kept a low profile there, largely staying close to his host.

After Jackson's departure, the sheik sued him for $7 million US, saying he had failed to fulfil a joint music venture, but the two settled in November, with terms not disclosed.

The sheik said Saturday, in a statement in the Gulf Daily News, that "the world has lost a giant in the music industry ... We are all very saddened by that," Al Khalifa said.

Across the Arab world, the tributes to Jackson, who died Thursday, mirrored those elsewhere around the globe, though some argued the singer had a special appeal in the region.

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Oscar songs must meet quality score

AWARDS No Academy Award will be presented for best song at next year's ceremony if none of the tunes is considered good enough, Oscar organizers said Friday. Rules for the 82nd Oscar show next March will require that at least one song must achieve a minimum score of 8.25 on a scale of six to 10 in voting by the academy's music branch.

"We're trying to improve the quality," said composer Bruce Broughton, who heads the music branch of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. "There's been a lot of talk about the songs in films, the lack of memorability compared to songs in the past, the almost forgettability of some of them." The academy is also moving its honorary Oscars out of the Academy Awards ceremony itself and presenting them at a separate event.

The changes come days after the academy made its most drastic Oscar change in decades, doubling the number of best-picture nominees from five to 10.

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An otherworldly presence

BookPicks

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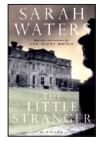

In post-Second World War Warwickshire, England, the ravages of war seen on the battlefield are mimicked in the deteriorating, centuries-old estate Hundreds Hall. When Dr. Faraday is called to the residence, which is home to the Ayres family, he quickly comes to know its inhabitants: Roddie, scarred after returning from battle: His sister Caroline, set on maintaining Hundreds without its pre-war servants; and their mother, seemingly stuck in the ways of the past. But as he grows closer to the family, Dr. Faraday learns they're not alone in the house, and is gradually consumed by a psychologically thrilling ghost story.

Killer Summer
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Publisher: Penguin Canada
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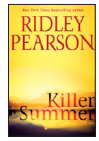

Following Killer Weekend and Killer View, American author Ridley Pearson revives his Sheriff Walt Fleming character in Killer Summer. This time around, Fleming is charged with overseeing the successful execution of a wine auction for the wealthy in affluent Sun Valley, Idaho. With three vintage bottles gifted to John Adams by Thomas Jefferson on the table, Fleming knows he must be on top of his game to ensure the event goes well. But when his instincts lead him to a suspicious passing truck, he gets caught up in a bomb plot and heist perpetrated by someone who seems prepared for every potential foil.

Weller's War
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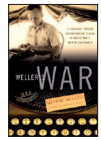

Weller's War is a posthumously released collection of reporting by Pulitzer Prize-winning war journalist George Weller. Edited by his son Anthony, the anthology contains Weller's chronicles of the Second World War from across the world. Weller begins with observations of the early toll of war on Eastern Europe, then moves further afield, reporting on the fall of Singapore, the civil war in Greece and the threat of guerilla incursions in Burma. Throughout, Weller's challenges are communicated in bold detail and his experiences recall the dexterity of war reporting before the advent of near-instant global communication.

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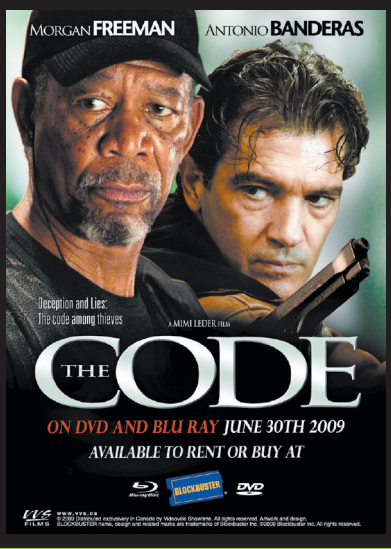

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It's still complicated

Richards signs on to reality series for season to quash rumours

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

She's made peace with her actor ex-husband Charlie Sheen, been lauded for her honesty during an interview with Howard Stern and said she's even friendly with former foe Perez Hilton. But actress and former model Denise Richards said her life is still complicated.

"Yes, I've gone through a lot of complicated stuff, but now it's a different kind of complication — being a single parent in Hollywood, trying to date, working and balancing my career with my kids," she said over the phone while vacationing in Hawaii.

Richards is the star of her eponymous reality show, Denise Richards: It's Complicated, its second season presently airing Wednesday nights on E!.

She said she signed on for the show's inaugural season to quash rumours floating around about her — a different story every week for two years, she estimates.

"I'm an actress. I've done a lot of movies and been in a lot of TV shows and wanted people to make a judgment off of watching me instead of reading about me," she said.

Denise Richards: It's Complicated airs Wednesday nights on E!

But now that she believes the program has drawn people away from "negative press" about her, Richards said the public is beginning to know a different side of the star.

"I think people see that, at the end of the day, I'm a single mom and relatable to a lot of people that have gone through a horrible divorce, lost a parent or have a parent that has to move on with their life, and it's hard," she said. "At the end of the day, that's what sells the show — your fans."

Actress and former model Denise Richards, star of It's Complicated.

Fans of her show can expect to see Richards moving forward from past controversies this season, she said. New episodes observe Richards' experience on ABC's Dancing with the Stars, a visit to her old home in Chicago and her live-in father's first dating attempt in 40 years, among other storylines.

Such principally common arcs are influenced by the public's transitioning perspective on celebrity, said Richards, which she characterizes as a move from mystery to tangibility.

And she doesn't hesitate to express that part of her motivation to renew the show for a second season stemmed from another item almost certainly tangible for her fan base — economic woes.

"I need to make a living. We all want work, in a really s—y economy," she said. "I have two kids to support as well."

Two more join Spider-Man cast

MUSICAL Evan Rachel Wood and Alan Cumming have joined the cast of Spider-Man Turn Off the Dark, the upcoming Broadway musical about the famous web-slinger. Wood will portray Peter Parker's girlfriend, Mary Jane Watson, while Cumming takes on the role of Norman Osborn, also known as the villainous Green Goblin.

The musical, directed by Julie Taymor, begins preview performances Feb. 25, 2010, at the Hilton Theatre.

An opening date will be announced later — as will the actor who will play Spider-Man.

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Horatio (David Caruso) and the team race the clock to find a baby kidnapped by a killer in hopes of keeping the child from becoming the next victim. Teri Polo guest stars in "Gone Baby Gone." 10 PM on CTV CBS

McMahon celebration

Ed McMahon's publicist says a celebration of the late Tonight show sidekick, who died last Monday, is set for tomorrow. McMahon's publicist, Howard Bragman, tells The Associated Press Friday that NBC will host the untelevised event. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

From hockey to donuts, Bidini sums up Canada

DAVE BIDINI
for Metro Canada

For Canada Day, Metro asked musician and author Dave Bidini to tell us what Canada means to him:

Canada is a lot of things. It's a snowbank toothpicked with hockey sticks where the hacking sounds of frozen engines force kids to kick goalposts out of traffic. It's a bouquet of flying insects rising from a still pond where you sit on the embankment in your Gordon Lightfoot jacket smoking Dummies and scribbling nonsense poetry to a land muted by the rock and stone and ice and long grass that tilts homeward, just in case you get lost.

Canada is the bun-haired Tim Hortonette who shrinkwraps 200 donuts in glossy boxes to the Inuk family bound for home and who already miss the deep sting of winter, even though Ottawa is sunny and warm and there's lots of stuff to do, but, alas, still Ottawa.

Canada is a land of wild, secret art, from Calgary's One Yellow Rabbit to London's Nihilist Spasm Band to Vancouver's Ford Pier.

Canada is a warm dashboard tape deck skreeing the songs of Herald Nix while the fat summer sun wobbles like a truck stop totem in your rearview mirror set against the burnished red-rust sky.

Canada is a row of white tassles swinging from your jacket sleeve as you subway downtown reading something by Michael Ondaatje or Claudia Dey or Ken Babstock before climbing the sootless gray steps to the street, where taxi cabs whistle and chestnut vendors shout and the inexorable press of lawyers, stockbrokers and bankers shuttle underground.

Canada is me and your and your aunt and uncle, who moved to the Gaspe, which gave you a chance to visit, and now you know. The land is big. The land is hard. Canada is living with the fact that the trees and the snow will outlast us all.

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No longer a solo act

On Saturday, guitar virtuoso Eddie Van Halen married Janie Liszewski, his girlfriend of three years. The evening ceremony took place at his seven-acre Studio City, Calif., estate. Liszewski walked down the aisle to Van Halen's When It's Love, people.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

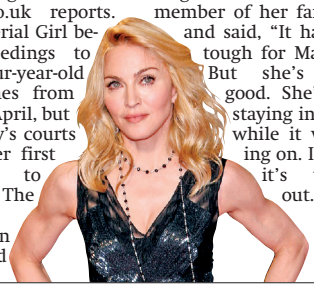
Celebrity Buzz

Pals come to Madge's aid

CELEBRITY NETWORK Rocker Lenny Kravitz supported Madonna throughout her campaign to adopt another child — even lending the pop superstar his mansion in France while she dealt with the legal issues, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Material Girl began proceedings to adopt four-year-old Mercy James from Malawi in April, but the country's courts rejected her first attempt to adopt. The singer launched an appeal and eventually won the right to become the youngster's legal guardian earlier this month.

Her pal Kravitz says he stepped in to help the star during her ordeal as she fought to make Mercy a member of her family — and said, "It has been tough for Madonna. But she's doing good. She's been staying in France while it was going on. I'm glad it's worked out." METRO NEWS SERVICES



Perez crosses line with MJ

FOOT IN MOUTH Perez Hilton is no stranger to controversy, and now many of the stars who he often pals around with have turned on him via Twitter, ripping the celebrity blogger for his posts about Michael Jackson in the moments before his death, popeater.com reports.

After it was reported Jackson had taken to hospital Thursday, Hilton posted a photograph of Jackson with his signature white handwriting "Heart Attack or Cold Feet?" — questioning whether Jackson was sick or possibly bailing out of his summer concerts.

"Either he's lying or making himself sick, but we're curious to see if he's able to go on!!! Get your money back, ticket holders!!!!" he wrote — comments that have since been redacted.

A number of celebrities then took to Twitter, calling Hilton "shameful" and telling him to show some respect. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Jailed son OK for Farrah's funeral

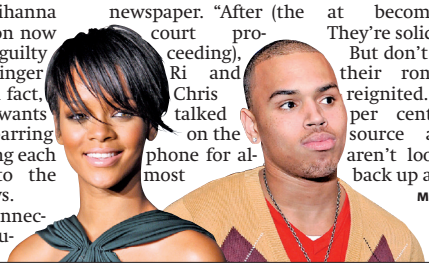
FAMILY Redmond O'Neal, the only son of Farrah Fawcett and Ryan O'Neal, was stuck in jail when his mother passed away, but prison officials have granted him permission to attend her funeral, according to Radar Online. Redmond will be allowed to wear a suit instead of the usual prison scrubs, but he will still be handcuffed. He is serving a sentence for multiple drug-related charges. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Rihanna and Chris reconnect?

WHAT RESTRAINING ORDER? Chris Brown and Rihanna are ready to move on now that he has pleaded guilty to assaulting the singer back in February. In fact, the pair reportedly wants the court order barring them from contacting each other, according to the New York Daily News.

"They think it's unnecessary and ridiculous," a source told the newspaper. "After (the court proceeding), Ri and Chris talked on the phone for almost an hour and really worked at becoming friends. They're solid now."

But don't go looking for their romance to be reignited. "That's 100 per cent done," the source added. "They aren't looking to hook back up again." METRO WORLD NEWS



Not ready to strip yet: Hayden

TAKING IT SLOW Hayden Panettiere doesn't have any immediate plans to go naked onscreen any time soon, but she isn't ruling it out.

"I'm cool with my body, and I'm cool running around undressed and all that stuff, but there are just certain things that not everyone needs to know, that you need to keep somehow private and personal to you," the Heroes star told E! News.

"But you never know, you never know. I could be 30 years old and just be like, 'Screw it — I want to take it all off. I better take a picture of this baby before it all goes.'" METRO WORLD NEWS

GETTY IMAGES

Fall Out Boy no more?

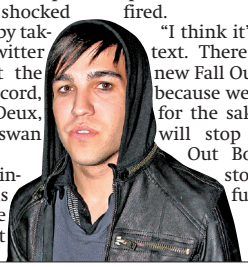
ON HIATUS? Fall Out Boy star Pete Wentz has denied the rockers are set to go their separate ways — even though they have no plans to make any more albums, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The bassist shocked fans last week by taking to his Twitter page to admit the band's last record, 2008's Folie a Deux, may be their "swan song."

But Wentz insists the band is set to continue — they just won't be making any new music.

He told mtv.com, "No, we're not calling it quits, but we've no future album plans right now. We can't quit, we're waiting to get fired.

"I think it's all in context. There aren't any new Fall Out Boy songs because we don't write for the sake of it. We will stop doing Fall Out Boy when it stops being fun." METRO NEWS SERVICES



Wilkinson's wedding fit for a princess

DREAM WEDDING Playboy Playmate Kendra Wilkinson wed her NFL player beau Hank Baskett at the Playboy mansion, on Saturday, People confirms.

At around 6:45 p.m., the 23-year-old walked down the aisle in a white dress, dripping in more than $100,000 US worth of platinum jewelry by Michael Barin. The groom also wore white, as did the groomsmen, while bridesmaids were in lavender.

Among the hundreds of guests were former boyfriend and Playboy founder Hugh Hefner and fellow Playmate and bridesmaid Bridget Marquardt. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Bradley defuses Jen rumours

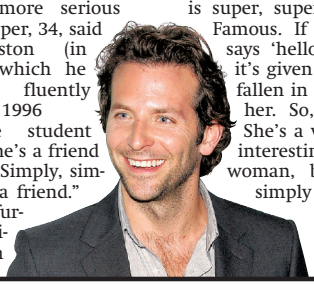
SETTING RECORD STRAIGHT First they reputedly flirted at a party. Then, June 18, they definitely had dinner together. So, what is going on between Bradley Cooper and Jennifer Aniston?

That was the question put to The Hangover star on Friday at an event in Paris, people.com reports.

Told there had been talk that he and Aniston had been out together, Cooper replied with a laugh: "Who talked about it? It wasn't me. It was someone else."

In a more serious vein, Cooper, 34, said of Aniston (in French, which he speaks fluently from his 1996 exchange student days): "She's a friend of mine. Simply, simply, just a friend."

He further clarified, "In America, it's not like it is here. She's someone who is super, super known. Famous. If someone says 'hello' to her, it's given that he's fallen in love with her. So, no. No. She's a very, very interesting woman, but she's simply a friend." METRO NEWS SERVICES



Coolio headed to rehab

THIS IS GANGSTER'S PARADISE? Coolio has pleaded guilty to cocaine possession after a March 6 arrest at Los Angeles International Airport, according to media reports.

A spokesperson for prosecutors says that the rapper will avoid jail time by attending an 18-month rehab program.

Other charges including battery and resisting arrest were dropped in exchange for his guilty plea. METRO WORLD NEWS

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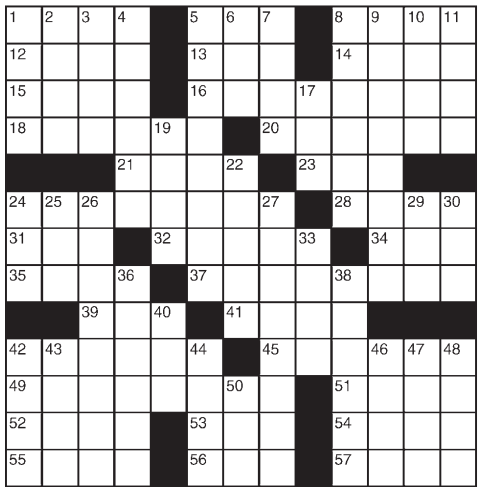

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

1								3
	5		1	3	8		4	
	3						7	
		9	3		7	8		
	4						6	
		6	8		9	3		
	7						2	
	6		2	7	1		8	
2								5

Crossword across

1 Recedes
5 Mandible
8 "Airplane!" autopilot
12 Goose egg
13 Yoko of music
14 Cornfield invader
15 Authentic
16 Football break
18 Aft
20 Got lathery
21 Stereo alternative
23 Wildebeest
24 Interim
28 Therefore
31 Donkey
32 Navy elite
34 Sawbuck
35 Grand story
37 HBO rival
39 Also
41 Blue shade
42 Teeming
45 Diamond ref
49 Work-when-you-want set-up
51 Mid-March date
52 Exceptional
53 — Francisco
54 Tide type
55 Newspaper page
56 Choose, with "for"
57 Smelly

Crossword down

1 Poet Pound
2 Honey bunch?
3 Neighbour's kid?
4 Grave
5 Hospital gowns
6 Literary collection
7 Three Little Pigs' pursuer
8 Gasoline rating number
9 Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva, collectively
10 Heavy book
11 Didn't pay yet
17 Visibility hindrance
19 Deteriorates
22 Nebraska city
24 West of Hollywood
25 Kreskin's claim
26 So to speak
27 Silver-tongued
29 Jewel
30 Individual
33 Has done laps in the pool
36 Wheedled
38 Recording
40 Table scrap
42 Frizzy hairdo
43 Be openhanded with?
44 Soybean paste
46 Notion
47 Paper quantity
48 Catch sight of
50 Atlas page

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

4	3	7	2	9	5	8	1	6
6	5	8	3	7	1	9	2	4
2	1	9	4	8	6	3	5	7
7	9	4	5	3	2	1	6	8
1	2	5	8	6	4	7	9	3
3	8	6	7	1	9	5	4	2
5	7	2	1	4	3	6	8	9
8	6	1	9	2	7	4	3	5
9	4	3	6	5	8	2	7	1

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Turkish Bread with Feta and Vegetables

INGREDIENTS:

4 tomatoes, diced
1/4 cup (50 ml) tomato paste
2 garlic cloves, crushed
1 Turkish bread, halved horizontally
1 tbsp (15 ml) finely chopped fresh rosemary
1 tsp (5 ml) fennel seeds
1/4 cup (50 ml) olive oil
1 eggplant, thinly sliced widthways
1 red pepper, deseeded and cut into thin strips
1 yellow pepper, deseeded and cut into thin strips
1 tbsp (15 ml) cider vinegar
1 tsp (5 ml) sugar
6 scallions, halved widthways and cut into strips
3-1/2 oz (100 g) feta cheese, drained and finely crumbled

METHOD:

1. Heat oven to 460 F (240 C). Mix tomatoes, tomato paste and half the crushed garlic in large bowl. Spread over bread and set aside. In same bowl, combine rosemary, fennel seeds, olive oil and remaining garlic.
2. Lay eggplant slices and pepper strips on baking tray and brush sparingly with herb oil mixture. Bake 8 minutes until slices are just beginning to soften. Turn and bake further 8 minutes. Remove from oven and reduce temperature to 425 F (220 C).
3. Stir cider vinegar and sugar into remaining oil. Add scallions and some pepper to season. Add pepper strips and mix well.
4. Top bread with half the mixed pepper mixture, cover with overlapping eggplant slices, then pile remaining pepper mixture on top, drizzling over remaining herb oil from bowl. Place bread on baking tray that was used for roasting vegetables. Top with feta, pressing down lightly with fork, and bake 10–15 minutes until feta is golden and vegetables are browned. Cut each piece of bread into four and serve two pieces per portion.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Make it your aim this week to please other people, especially those closest to you emotionally. Go out of your way to help them feel good.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
You may not have a care in the world at the moment but don't overdo it. It's your body you should be thinking about now: Put your wellbeing first.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
This is certainly a lucky time of the year for you but don't take anything for granted. Plan well ahead and don't entrust important details to other people.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
No doubt you have big plans but you also have limits and your number one priority as the week begins is to recognize what they are.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You can sense that a number of things are coming to an end. Their passing is creating room in your life for more important aims and ambitions.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You expect to accomplish great things but there is a danger you might put so much pressure on yourself that you feel defeated before you have even begun.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Your professional position is in a state of flux at the moment. But by the end of this week you'll be on top of the heap, so keep climbing.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You're in the mood to be outrageous and what you do in the next few days will shock those of a nervous disposition. Don't let their disapproval stop you.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
Before going ahead with spending plans it might be good to let partners and loved ones know what you're up to: They could have some good advice.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
If you want to move beyond what you've achieved, work with people who share your objectives. That applies to both your private life and career.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
You've just been through a hectic weekend, so slow down a bit and catch your breath before you embark on your next big endeavour.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
If you are ambitious you will find favour with important people over the next few days. Just be careful you don't take on too many things.

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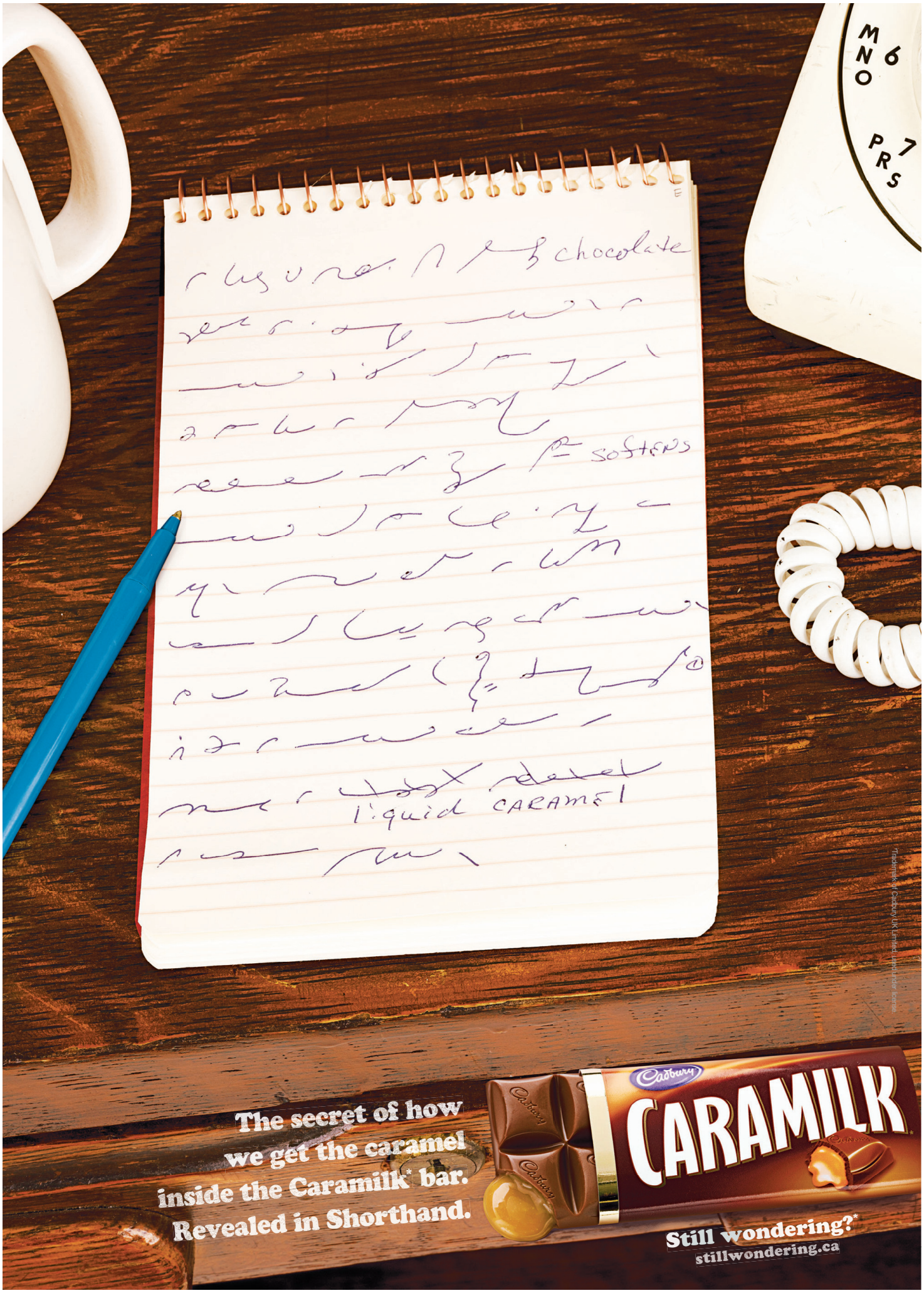
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